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Attacks On Japan Stepped Up; Yanks Push Ahead On Islands

WASHINGTON.—The mounting American offensive against the Japanese empire reverberated from Tokyo and Yokohama to Okinawa and the Philippines this week as B-29s, Marines and dogged infantrymen blasted the homeland, the islands and their defenders with stepped up might.

Fifty-one square miles of Tokyo were reported in ashes following a

succession of fire raids by Superfortresses. The Emperor's palace was reported hit and three top Japanese leaders were bomb victims. Throughout the week the Japanese radio mourned a continued story of woe.

On the heels of the devastation of the Japanese capital, 500 Superfortresses made a 3200-ton fire-bomb assault on Yokohama in the biggest

daylight aerial raid yet visited upon Japan. Destruction was heavy.

On Okinawa, leathernecks of the 1st Marine Division climaxed a dramatic drive by storming their way into the moated, medieval castle of Shuri, keystone stronghold in the center of the flanked Japanese defense line on the southern end of the island.

Sixth Division Marines controlled all of the rubble-strewn city of Naha, north of the harbor, and at week's end were engaged in mop-up exercises.

There were indications that the Japs may be preparing to retire to positions further south, despite terrain less favorable for defense. Enemy troops were in full retreat south of Shuri.

Despite stubborn Japanese resistance in some sections of the island, the Yanks appeared to have the general situation well in hand, but tough fighting continued.

Progress In Philippines

On Luzon, in the Philippines, the 38th Infantry Division climaxed a month-long mountain campaign by

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Speed Pay Boost For Retained Men

WASHINGTON.—Urging prompt consideration by the House Military Committee of his bill to increase pay of service personnel with sufficient points for discharge who are retained in service, Rep. Starkey, D., Minn., told the House, May 24, that the "indispensables" and those still willing to take the rigors of Pacific combat "are deserving of extra pay."

The 50 per cent increase in base pay of men retained proposed by Mr. Starkey would, he said, be a small increase proportionately to the service payroll, but "would spur

officialdom of the services to speed their releases, en masse or as individuals.

"Because the Army cannot, on its own, make some concrete recognition of the invaluable service of these indispensables, I am asking that the Congress do so," Mr. Starkey continued.

The Minnesotan termed groundless fears that the extra pay would encourage many eligible for discharge to remain in the service, declaring:

"Except for those few who have a natural attraction for the military life, as enlisted men, virtually no monetary consideration would keep them in the service once they are offered release.

"For every one who so elects to stay in service another can be released," he reminded.

Home For 1st 'Just Pause,' Says Hodges

ATLANTA, Ga. — "This being home is wonderful, but it's just a pause for men of the First Army. There can be no real rest until we give the final blow to Japan."

This was the statement of Gen. Courtney H. Hodges, Commander of the First Army, who, accompanied by 49 of his officers and enlisted men, flew in from Europe for a home-town reception.

General Hodges spent but a few hours here, then went to Washington to plan for the retraining of his First Army for Pacific operations. The War Department has announced that this retraining will take place at Fort Jackson, S. C., one of the larger camps in the country.

Some 4-Fs Under 26 To Be Called

WASHINGTON.—Following up its announcement of May 22 virtually eliminating the induction of men over 30 years of age, Selective Service, acting on an Army memorandum, stated Monday that draft boards would review cases of men under 26 with a view to their induction for special military service even if they do not meet Army physical requirements.

The men will be used for policing detail and clerical work.

The regulations, it was said, will apply also to conscientious objectors in the under-26 bracket.

Copies of Army Times are made available to all Army hospitals through the American Red Cross.



—Air Forces Photo

LOSING BOTH HANDS in a bomber crash, Lt. Edwin V. Hawley has developed amazing agility with the aid of artificial prosthesis. He gave a demonstration at the conference of Army Air Forces hospital liaison officers at ASF Regional Hospital, Pasadena, Calif., recently. Lieutenant Hawley is part of the nationwide program to develop the proper attitude in amputees.

May Asks Out For Oldsters

WASHINGTON.—The campaign of Army Times to bring about the discharge of all Army men over 35 years of age was given new impetus this week when Rep. Andrew J. May (D., Ky.), powerful chairman of the House Military Affairs Committee, urged that all except those in key positions "be speedily discharged."

The Army Times campaign, started on April 21, previously won strong support from Rep. Clare Boothe Luce, Rep. Joseph P. Talmot and the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Since the first editorial, "Oldsters Are Forgotten Men," was published on April 21, the War Department has twice issued regulations permitting general discharges; first, for men 42 years old or over, and more recently for men 40 years.

The War Department also has indicated that it will lower the age for discharges further as military needs decline.

Chairman May, in advocating

discharge of men over 35, said:

"Now that our principal enemy has surrendered unconditionally, there should be a more drastic reduction in the armed forces than the Army has yet made. All men over 35 years of age, except those in key positions essential to the completion of the war against Japan and those needed for the occupation of conquered Germany, should be speedily discharged."

Congressman May, as chairman of the Military Affairs Committee, is in a position to wield strong influence upon officials of the War Department. Similarly, Mrs. Luce, a member of the same committee, has greater influence than the average member of Congress.

Seeks Extra Service Pay

WASHINGTON.—A bill to provide a \$10-a-month raise in pay and a distinctive shoulder patch for technical service troops who participate in combat activities was introduced in Congress this week by Rep. Carl Hinshaw (R., Calif.).

The Hinshaw bill calls for special recognition for combat engineers, medical corpsmen, signal corpsmen and Chemical Warfare Service crews. Those who qualify as "expert technicians" rather than as "combat technicians" would receive a \$5 increase in pay.

Hinshaw said his measure was similar to the one passed last year which created the Infantryman Badges for expert work and performance in combat.

"The speed with which we can get along with the war at this particular stage depends almost entirely on how fast the engineer soldier gets his job done," Hinshaw told the house in explaining his bill.

"The Engineers are too busy to figure up their points; they're still counting the man-hours ahead of them on B-29 fields, and oil tanks, and Liberty ship wharves."

The California congressman stressed that when he spoke of engineers he meant also other technical service forces.

"The Medical Corpsmen who treat and evacuate the wounded under fire — the Signal Corpsmen who string communications wire to forward outposts — the Chemical Warfare Service Crews who man the 4.2-inch mortars which have become an Infantry Division's front-line artillery — these and others like them are the technical soldiers who are apt to wonder what a man has to do to be recognized as a part of the combat team," he said.

Truman Delegates Court-Martial

WASHINGTON.—President Truman this week transferred his powers of final review of court-martial sentences to the Secretaries of War and the Navy, declaring that because of the pressure of work on him "more efficient administration" will result if the department heads have final review of sentences.

Mr. Truman reserved right to pass on cases involving the death penalty.

Truman Asks Congress To Boost Jobless Pay

WASHINGTON.—President Truman on Monday urged Congress to re-examine the readjustment allowance provision of the GI Bill of Rights to increase weekly payments from \$20 to \$25 and to amend the Social Security Act to provide \$25 weekly unemployment compensation benefits for displaced civilian workers.

The President made the recommendations to carry veterans and displaced workers through the re-conversion period. He suggested \$25 as the minimum weekly amount and 26 weeks as the minimum period in any one year for civilian workers.

President Truman pointed out that only about 30,000,000 of the nation's 43,000,000 nonagricultural workers are protected by unemployment insurance and recommended that coverage be extended to include federal employees, maritime workers "and other workers not now insured."

Re-Examine GI Bill

"In this connection, Congress will no doubt wish to re-examine the readjustment allowance provisions of the GI Bill of Rights," he said

in a special message to Congress.

The readjustment allowance provisions of the GI Bill now permit veterans to receive weekly payments of \$20 during any period of unemployment following discharge from service up to a maximum of 52 weeks. Veterans must be willing and able to take suitable work, if offered, in order to qualify for the payments.

Weekly payments to veterans now average over \$600,000.

President Truman recommended to Congress that the increased benefits he is asking be paid by the federal government through the unemployment compensation machinery of the various states.

80% of 8th Air Force Marked For Transfer

LONDON.—Eighth Air Force redeployment, announced here May 24, calls for flying to the United States within the next 30 to 60 days 40,000 air and ground crew members from 19 heavy bomber bases in England.

About 20,000 men remaining from the same groups will follow by water.

Of the remaining forces, some will go directly to the Pacific.

All of those returning to the United States will be given leaves and furloughs as soon as possible after arrival.

After leaves the men will return to the original units and will not go to replacement or redistribution centers, it was stated.

Not more than ten of the Eighth's 60 bomber and fighter groups are expected to remain in the occupation forces.

First 50 bomber loads of men returned to the United States early last week. More than 2000 bombers

will ferry the 40,000 men back, each plane carrying ten men in addition to its normal crew of ten, the passengers including crew chiefs, armors and other ground personnel.

Eighth Air Force groups scheduled (See 8th Air Force, Page 20)

Memorial Day Is Observed By GIs Throughout ETO

PARIS.—Memorial services for America's heroic dead of World Wars I and II were observed throughout the European theater here on Wednesday with civilian and military personnel participating in the widest Memorial Day services ever held on the Continent.

Throughout the theater area services were held before the white crosses which mark the last resting places of Americans who fell in battle in both world wars.

Truman Bonus Views Sought

WASHINGTON.—President Truman has been asked by Rep. John Rankin (D., Miss.), chairman of the House Veterans Committee, to make known his views on a proposal to pay all veterans of World War II a bonus of \$1040 during the first year of their discharge.

Beginning a drive admittedly aimed at getting a bonus bill acted on by September, Rankin sent a copy of his bill to President Truman with a request for the latter's views.

Any legislation to pay a bonus to members of the armed forces will have to win the support of President Truman or face a veto.

Rankin's proposal is for the payment of \$20 weekly in cash to all veterans who served 90 days since Sept. 16, 1940 and were discharged other than dishonorably.

Wants Cash, Not Bonds

"The time to give it to them is now, while many are being demobilized," he said this week. "Any payment should be in cash, not bonds. They can't eat bonds."

Rankin's reference to bonds was believed directed at another bonus bill sponsored by Representatives Lesinski and Izac which calls for payment in bonds of a bonus of \$3 a day for home service, \$4 a day for overseas service, with \$500 extra compensation for wounds. Maximum

payments for overseas service would be set at \$4500 and for home service \$3500.

Neither bill would have any effect on the present legislation authorizing mustering-out pay of \$300.

Rankin indicated last week that he intends to press the House Veterans Committee for action on his bill as soon as possible and he has predicted that if acceptable to the President it can become law by September.

Veterans' organizations are inclined to favor the Lesinski-Izac measure in preference to Rankin's because of the fact that it recognizes type and length of service and because of its extra compensation for the wounded. Numerous members of Congress also have expressed off-the-record support of the more generous Lesinski-Izac bill and attempts will be made to substitute its provisions for those of the Rankin bill in the event the latter is reported to Congress for a vote.

World Conference Nears End; Truman Will Speak

SAN FRANCISCO.—The United Nations Conference on International Organization, having survived a succession of crises, moved this week toward completion of a world charter aimed at the job of maintaining peace—by force, if necessary.

President Truman announced his intention of flying from Washington to address the conference in its final hours and present plans call for his appearance here on June 5. The conference is scheduled tentatively to recess or adjourn on June 6.

Moving from one crisis to another during the past five weeks, the conference has, by compromise and coercion, shaped a pattern for world peace that should be drafted finally within a few days.

There currently is considerable criticism of the "makeshift" pattern of the proposed charter, but world leaders feel that what is emerging from the conference can be welded into an effective organization that stands a good chance of maintaining peace.

Veto Power Challenged

The conference this week featured a drive by the small nations to modify the right of the five big powers to veto either punitive action or pacific measures being considered

High-Pointers Start Home From Hawaii

FT. SHAFTER, T. H.—First veterans in Pacific Ocean Areas to be selected for return to the United States as high-point men are packing up for the trip, POA headquarters has announced.

There are 1300 men in the group returning to the States, where determination of essentiality will be made in personnel centers.

Another 50 Hawaiian residents are being discharged here as unessential.

Gen. McCoach Named To Service Command

CHICAGO.—Maj. Gen. David McCoach, Jr., assumed command of the 6th Service Command May 24, relieving Maj. Gen. Russell B. Reynolds, who has been assigned overseas.

General McCoach recently returned from the European theater.

Training Of ETO Men For Pacific Taken Over By 6th Army Group

GERMANY.—Task of training all ground forces which will move from the European theater to the Pacific, either direct or by way of U. S., has been given to the 6th

Army Group, group headquarters in Heidelberg has announced.

Three training headquarters—two combat and one service—will be set up under the group. The combat headquarters will

direct the training of fighting units, while the service headquarters will have a similar assignment for supporting troops.

It is planned to train combat units and their organic service units, such as the quartermaster company of an infantry division, in the American zone of occupation, east of the Rhine. Probably 10 special training areas, each capable of accommodating a division and attached troops, will be utilized.

Time permitting, all combat units will be given eight weeks of specialized training before they leave for the assembly area command for shipment.

Most service units, exclusive of those organic to combat units, will receive their redeployment training while performing their present work at their normal stations. However, as service units are released from functional duties they will be given concentrated training in marksmanship and other phases of Pacific theater warfare.

It is expected that mock Japanese villages will be erected to acquaint the trainees with problems of street fighting and that many of the instructors will be men with experience in the Pacific.

The first units to redeploy will not, of course, get the eight-week course, but will get most of their training in the United States.

Units leaving later will train both in Europe and in the States.



NON-ALCOHOLIC TOAST, PX style, is made to Sgt. Freeman J. Nash, center, one of the first men to receive a discharge under the War Department's point system at the Fort Lewis, Wash., Separation Center, by T/5 Louis H. Gauthier and T/5 Norman W. Lind. Lind just missed the select list by two points.

Gen. Knudsen Leaves Army

WASHINGTON.—Lt. Gen. William S. Knudsen, former General Motors head, resigned his Army of the United States commission, effective June 1, the War Department said this week.

An Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a second Distinguished Service Medal was presented to General Knudsen May 29 by Under Secretary of War Patterson in recognition of his services in expediting design and production of aircraft.

General Knudsen served in various defense production posts during the emergency period. He was appointed a lieutenant general and named director of production in the Under Secretary of War's Office shortly after Pearl Harbor.

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Europe War Film Nearly Completed

WASHINGTON.—Largely pieced together from the best of millions of feet of film taken by British and American combat cameramen, a motion picture, "The True Glory," designed as a chronicle of the Allied campaigns from planning of D-D-Day to surrender of Germany, is nearing completion.

Announcement of first showing and distribution plans will be made soon, the War Department said this week.

The film will contain a foreword by Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower.

Ticklish Operation Performed On Huge Blockbuster By GI

PARIS.—M/Sgt. Joseph Walko of Norman, Okla., held an audience of ordnance experts and Army officers spellbound this week while he calmly sawed an 8000-pound blockbuster in two. Nothing happened.

The audience watched from a safe distance as Walko severed the bomb to preserve evidence of interior deterioration wanted by the ordnance men. He volunteered for the job.

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Truman Asks Right to Keep Army From Reverting to Branch Set-up

WASHINGTON.—Permanent reorganization of the Army on the basis of the present system of three major commands is one of the objectives of President Truman's request that Congress give him blanket authority to reorganize all government agencies.

Reorganization of the War Department or any other governmental agency would be subject to the approval of Congress.

Under his war powers, the late President Roosevelt set up the Army's major commands — Army Ground Forces, Army Air Forces and Services of Supply (later changed to Army Service Forces)—but this organization will end with the war unless laws are passed to make it permanent. Without needed legislation the department would revert to its old branch system.

Calling attention to the Army's set-up, Mr. Truman told Congress: "Some improvements heretofore made in the government under the First War Powers Act, as exemplified by the reorganization of the Army under Executive Order No. 9082, should not be allowed to revert automatically or at an inopportune time."

Before the war, the Army was governed by the general staff and a number of branches, the chiefs of whom sat as a general council.

Some service branches, such as Quartermaster Corps, Corps of Engineers, Ordnance Department, etc., have been continued as parts of Army Service Forces.

Combat branches — Chief of Infantry, Chief of Field Artillery,

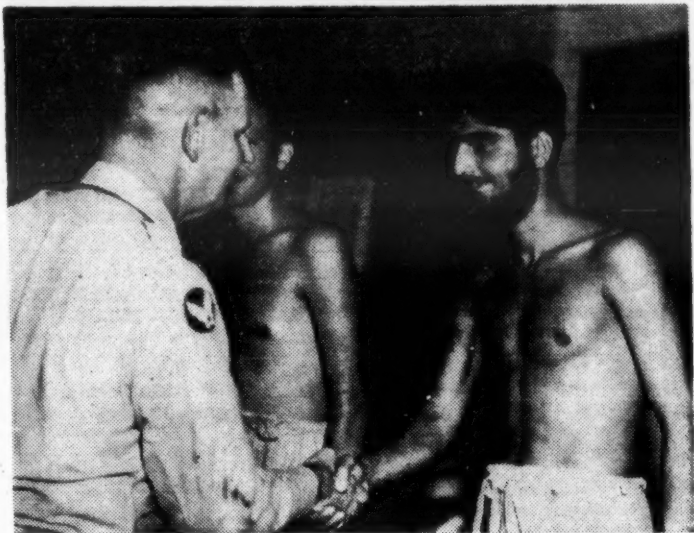
Chief of Cavalry, etc.—have been inactivated and many branch appointments have been allowed to expire.

Two bureaus — Provost Marshal General and Public Relations—have no statutory existence.

Acting in accordance with the President's request, Chairman Manasco of the Executive Department

Expenditures Committee has introduced enabling legislation.

The Manasco bill, however, states that the reorganizing powers shall not apply to a number of specified agencies, including the Army's Corps of Engineers, the Veterans' Administration and the semi-judicial commissions such as Federal Trade, Federal Power and the like.



—Air Forces Photo

BELIEVE IT OR NOT, the Joe with the beard and long locks was the barber for the other prisoners in his compound of the Jap prison. While he shaved and cut their hair, he refused to do as much for himself, vowing he would wait until released. The barber, Sgt. Karnik A. Thomasian, of New York City, is being congratulated by Maj. Gen. George E. Stratemeyer, commanding general AAF, India-Burma Theater, at a U. S. Army Hospital near Calcutta, shortly after American soldiers were liberated when Rangoon was reoccupied by the Allies.

Action Blocked On Aliens Bill

WASHINGTON.—The House Immigration Committee this week temporarily blocked action on a bill of Representative Dickstein (D., N. Y.), to facilitate entry into this country of aliens married overseas to U. S. service men and women.

Chief opposition came from Representative Gossett (D., Tex.), who declared he wanted all aliens who fought Americans kept out of this country, regardless of whether they had married Americans or not.

Finney Therapy Chief In First Red Cross Group Sent Overseas

FINNEY GENERAL HOSPITAL, Thomasville, Ga.—Miss Elizabeth Clark, new occupational therapy chief here, was in the first group of Red Cross workers to leave this country after Pearl Harbor for overseas service.

Miss Clark initiated the Arts and Crafts program in Army hospitals in Iceland.

Miss Clark, who came to Finney from Gardiner General Hospital in Chicago, gives a great deal of credit to Red Cross Grey Ladies.

"Our program would not be so successful without their splendid help," she says. "Even though they do not have a medical background they are fine women."

Nurse Draft Not Needed, War Dept. Tells Congress

WASHINGTON.—The War Department formally notified the Senate Military Committee late last week that further action on a nurse draft was no longer required.

ARMY TIMES last week reported that the nurse draft bill would be dropped, basing its statement on informal remarks of Army and Congressional leaders.

Stating that the bill was no longer necessary, Undersecretary of War Patterson wrote Chairman Thomas of the Military Committee that the end of hostilities in Europe, the volume of voluntary enlistments and the increasing number of Cadet Nurse Corps graduates becoming available all combined to make the draft unnecessary.

The draft bill had been passed by the House and reported to the Senate by the Military Committee.

Justifying the large number of nurses now in this country, Judge Patterson told Senator Thomas that they were the results of recent weeks' recruiting and would go to the Pacific as soon as ships are available.

"A vigorous program is under way to bring home the nurses who have

already had long and arduous service in the Pacific and Asiatic theaters under adverse climatic conditions, for whose replacement by rotation the strength of the Army Nurse Corps has not heretofore been sufficient," Judge Patterson wrote.

"The only limitation on this program now is the critical shipping situation during the redeployment program," he continued.

Chairman Thomas declared that Patterson's letter was "a most satisfactory disposition" of a difficult problem, and "the most extreme emergency measure of the war has solved itself."

Nurses he talked to overseas, Thomas said, declared they wanted to keep their organization a strictly volunteer outfit.

Iran's Shahinshah Decorates Besson

TEHERAN, Iran.—Brig. Gen. Frank S. Besson, Jr., director and general manager of the Persian Gulf Command's 3rd Military Railway Service, has been decorated with the Homayun Order, Second Class, by the Shahinshah of Iran.

Plaque Dedicated to Gen. McNair By AGF

WASHINGTON.—The officers of the Army Ground Forces on May 25 dedicated a memorial plaque at the War College here to Lt. Gen. Lesley J. McNair, former commanding general of the AGF, who was killed in Normandy on July 25.

Several hundred persons, including Mrs. McNair and Gen. George C. Marshall, Army chief of staff, attended the dedication exercises. High-ranking officers included Gen. Courtney H. Hodges, commander of the 1st Army, who is en route from Germany to Japan; Gen. Brehon Somervell, chief of the Army Service Forces, and Maj. Gen. J. G. Christiansen, chief of staff of the AGF and a close friend of the McNairs.

Present also were Undersecretary of War Patterson and Assistant Secretary John McCloy; Mrs. Douglas McNair, widow of the late Col. Douglas McNair, who was killed on Guam 12 days after his

father's death, and 20-month-old Bonnie Clare McNair.

Marshall Pays Tribute

General Marshall told those attending the memorial exercises that "the aggressive spirit which General McNair instilled in our men was the driving force of his own character." He recalled that McNair's early labors training and building the ground forces were made more difficult by "many of that period who thought and proclaimed that the day of the ground army and especially of the infantry had passed, that wars would be won by tanks and planes."

General Hodges said the best tribute to McNair's work is the fact that now, midway in the war, the Army doesn't find it necessary to change any of the training principles developed under McNair's direction.

Speaking of the post war young executive



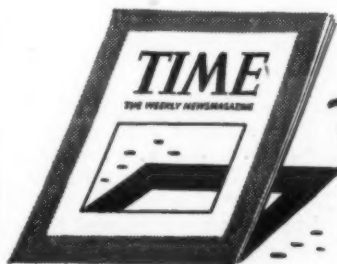
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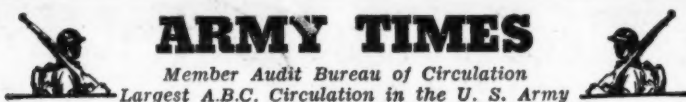
Says an Army Air Forces Lieutenant:

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The Hours Of Greatest Peril!

Looking back at the hours of greatest peril is one of the privileges of a victor nation. Just how great our peril was in the summer of 1940 is emphasized in a recent address made by Secretary of War Patterson.

"... Japan (was) coiled like a serpent ready to strike. ... The Germans were swiftly overrunning Europe. ... This great nation (was) unready and defenseless. ... Britain stood alone, and Britain, we know now, was virtually disarmed. If Britain had fallen, a German expeditionary force of 20 divisions at that time could have landed in this country and marched wherever they pleased. We had in the United States five half-strength infantry divisions in the Regular Army that could take the field. We had no more than 300 combat planes that were modern enough to put up a fight against a first-class air force."

Open A New Frontier!

The freight rate changes made recently by the ICC opens a new frontier for veterans. By raising the rates 10 per cent in the area east of the Mississippi and north of the Potomac and Ohio rivers and lowering the rates 10 per cent in the remainder of the United States with the exception of the Pacific Coast, where they remain unchanged, the ICC has enhanced the industrial opportunities of the West and South.

Although the migration of industry promises to be slow and gradual and just how sweeping it will be is a matter for speculation, the migration undoubtedly will open up new business opportunities for those seeking a foothold in the post-war world.

Every veteran and man still in uniform might well note the opportunities in the field of service and supply provided by the minor decentralization of some industries in pre-war years.

Even Though Russia . . . !

Always one to call a spade a spade, Gen. Joe Stilwell pointed out in a War Loan speech that even though Russia decides to make war on Japan there will not be any immediate military sensations.

"It must be remembered that Japan has a huge force in Manchuria, and this army will serve for a time to immobilize whatever organizations the Reds will be able to concentrate in easternmost Siberia," said Uncle Joe. "American equipment is going to the Chinese and, even if Russia enters the war with Japan, there still will be a big job for us."

A 'Personal Triumph'!

Maj. Gen. A. R. Bolling neatly expressed the sentiments of all Americans when he said that the Railsplitters of his 84th Infantry Division "rightfully should feel a sense of personal triumph" in the defeat of Nazi Germany.

For in this "personal triumph" lies the hopes of the nation for a true and lasting peace.

Vet Committee Goes To Bat!

Members of the House Veterans Committee have gone to bat for the veterans. In refusing to okay a suggestion that the Veterans Administration investigation be tabled to a later date, the committee members acted for the best interests of the veterans.

In taking the bull by the horns, the committee members acted in the tradition of a true democracy. It is expected that honest, complete investigation instead of a "whitewash" will result.

No Longer Forgotten!

The oldsters are no longer the "forgotten men." In the past 10 days Rep. Clare Luce, Rep. Andrew May, chairman of the House Military Affairs Committee, the V. F. W. and the Washington Post have gone on record favoring the discharge of men 35 years old and over.

Army Times is very proud of the part it played in calling attention of these individuals and organizations to the case of the oldsters.

ANGEL WITH HORNS!



At Your Service

Q. Are Flight Officers and Warrant Officers regarded as commissioned officers and receive 10 percent of base pay for overseas service, or do they, like enlisted men, receive 20 percent for overseas duty? T. R. K.

A. Flight Officers and Warrant Officers receive 20 percent of their base pay for overseas duty.

Q. What is the reason for a discharge under paragraph 25(a) AR 150-5 (9-30-31)? C. K. M.

A. Inaptitude.

Q. My husband, as a Staff Sergeant, was drawing a monetary allowance in lieu of quarters for dependents. He was sent on detached service for a month and during that time his quarters were furnished him in kind. He was on detached service from March 19, 1943, until April 19, 1943, and in September an amount equivalent to the monetary allowance for quarters was withheld from his pay because it was ruled that quarters were furnished in kind during the month he was on detached service. Quarters were not, however, available for me, his wife. Is the monetary allowance in lieu of quarters for dependents paid to servicemen of the first three grades (prior to Nov. 1, 1943) whether or not they are living off the post? If such is the case, is it possible for the serviceman to be reimbursed for the amount withheld? M. R.

A. In accordance with Executive Order No. 9206, 27 July 1942, monetary allowance in lieu of quarters for dependent wife paid to an enlisted man of the first three grades, prior to Nov. 1, 1943, under the circumstances cited, is payable if quarters were not provided or available for his dependent, and if he was not entitled to the non-travel allowance for quarters in his own right (unless his dependent was, by order of competent authority, prevented from living with him). An enlisted man drawing quarters allowance for dependents continues to draw such allowance while in a travel status, and is entitled to travel allowance (20 Comp. Gen. 522). If the facts are as stated by you, the enlisted man is entitled to reimbursement for the amount collected from his pay, as the furnishing of quarters to the enlisted man himself while on detached service does not preclude the payment of the quarters allowance for dependents. (20 Comp. Gen. 255).

Q. I saw a statement in a newspaper that Rangers are selected for

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this branch of work and do not volunteer for it. I believe this is wrong. Was the newspaper right or am I right? Mrs. K. B. L.

A. You are right; the Ranger Battalions were activated as volunteer units. However, replacements may be assigned or selected in emergencies.

Q. What kind of official document is issued by the War Department as the basis on which they advise an emergency addressee that a man has been killed in action? R. S. J.

A. The "proof of death" statement issued by the Casualty Branch, A. G. O.

Q. Since a Flight Officer receives the same base pay and allowances as a Second Lieutenant, but receives 20 percent instead of 10 percent for overseas pay; if the Flight Officer proves capable and is promoted to Second Lieutenant, does he get less pay because of the difference in computation of overseas pay? A. L. S.

A. Unless specifically provided otherwise, regulations and instructions pertaining to Warrant Officers apply equally to Flight Officers. And the Act of 7 July 1943 (Public Law 114, 78th Cong.) provides that a Warrant Officer who was temporarily appointed a commissioned officer should suffer no reduction in the pay and allowances which he was receiving at the time of such temporary appointment. Therefore, a Flight Officer (as well as a Warrant Officer) who was appointed a temporary 2nd Lieutenant while he was on foreign service and was receiving 20 percent increase of pay for such foreign service will continue to receive the 20 percent increase. However, if at the time of his temporary appointment as 2nd Lieutenant, he was on duty in the United States and not entitled to foreign service pay, but is subsequently ordered overseas, he will only receive 10 percent increase as a commissioned officer.

Letters

Gentlemen:

The older a man grows, shorter and more precious are remaining years!

Now, with two-thirds of the boys over 35 return to civilian and resume, if possible, their normal occupations and careers?

Surely Uncle Sam has enough us younger men to do the job lies ahead.

Five Joes, 19 to 26,
Camp Blanding, Fla.

Gentlemen:

Why can't the War Department let out all men over 35 who pass an overseas physical. I have seen a few men in the Army with glass eyes, bad feet and other physical defects. If they are held until the end of the war they will have great deal of difficulty securing employment.

A Youngster,
San Antonio, Tex.

Gentlemen:

I have observed that, in several editorials you have advocated discharge of men over 35.

As an Army wife I have had occasion to observe the situation of men with many men in the group. I have finally determined to write to Senator Elmer D. Thomas and Rep. Andrew May on the problem. Copies of the letter are enclosed.

Edith Summer,
Brooklyn

Gentlemen:

Thanks a million for your help in behalf of the over-age. I am glad to see that you have received the support of many people in newspapers in the past few days.

An Oldster,
Trenton, N. J.

Gentlemen:

You are, without the shadow of a doubt, a friend in need!

Group of 37ers,
Fort Taylor, Fla.

Gentlemen:

Keep up your efforts and you will prevent many men from becoming the apple vendors of World War by being able to get a job when industry closes its doors to men over 35.

Four Old Timers,
New Orleans, La.

Gentlemen:

Why not publish an editorial releasing the Pre-War Fathers, yes, they are also the forgotten men.

A Father,
Camp Plauche, La.

Gentlemen:

The main topic today seems to be "The Forgotten Man." The men in the upper age brackets are longer forgotten. The forgotten man is now the 4-F in uniform.

A man who cannot meet the requirements for induction, but is the Army anyway, is going to have a pretty tough time finding a point system.

Worried,
Ayer, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I would like to see the four-year men get a break. Those who were kept in the states for one year or another have been unable to get the necessary points for discharge. They went through the toughest \$21 per day and should get a break.

Tired of Army,
Camp Wolters, Tex.

Report Bill Extending Housing To Servicemen

WASHINGTON.—Legislation which would make service personnel and their dependents eligible to occupy public defense and similar housing on a rental basis was reported to the Senate this week by its Naval Affairs Committee.

The bill, identical to a government-sponsored measure before the House Military Committee, would prevent loss of rental allowances by personnel who occupy public housing on a rental basis.

VFW Joins ARMY TIMES Plan To Affect Release Of Oldsters

ARMY TIMES, JUNE 2, 1945

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WASHINGTON. — The Veterans of Foreign Wars this week joined ARMY TIMES in its campaign to convince the War Department that all Army men over 35 years of age should be permitted to apply for discharge without regard to points.

Omar B. Ketchum, national legislative representative of the VFW, said in a radio broadcast on Sunday that the VFW was supporting ARMY TIMES' suggestion and had asked adoption of the plan in a letter to Maj. Gen. S. G. Henry, assistant chief of staff for personnel at the War Department.

The VFW also asked for credit under the point system for Army men with dependent parents and for children in excess of the present credit limit of three.

"The VFW has found the Army discharge plan inherently sound, based as it is on the fundamental consideration of length and type of service," Ketchum observed. "But, we learn it is working a hardship on men in the upper-age brackets and those with needy dependents."

"The VFW desires to emphasize that age is a factor in determining discharges that must be considered outside the point system. If age should be given added weight in computing points for discharge, the Army would be faced with the task of revising some 10,000,000 individual point credit records, throwing the entire system into confusion."

Favors ARMY TIMES Plan
"The War Department has recognized the desirability of discharging men over 40 and, we believe, intends to carry this principle further

by lowering the discharge age limit. We are of the opinion that this can most effectively be accomplished by the proposal of a publication for servicemen that over-age men be released in age groups, 38 to 40 at the start, then 36 to 38, and eventually 35."

Ketchum described the three principal recommendations of serv-



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icemen for changes in the point system:

"(1) No credit is given for more than three children. It is believed that the relatively small number of men having more than three children under 18 years of age does not provide a serious barrier to consideration."

"(2) No credit is allowed for dependents other than children. One soldier points out in his letter to us that his mother, 84 years of age is in a semi-invalid condition, and is totally dependent upon him. He further states that another man in his Company "laughed himself sick" because he got 12 points for his 17-year-old son who earns \$90 per week in a war plant. In our opinion, any revision of the system should take into consideration the subject of dependent parents, particularly widowed mothers."

"(3) Full consideration has not been given to age. We have received many letters from men in their late 30's who feel that it is unfair to keep them in Service any longer, particularly since the War Department is now refusing to accept men for induction who are more than 35 years of age. We do not believe that it would be feasible to tie this into the system but we are strongly in favor of lowering the age limit for mandatory discharge from 42 to even 35."

"In this connection it is noted that less than three percent of the total Army strength is composed of men 38 years of age or over. Considering the definite limitations of most men who have passed their 35th birthday, the question is raised

Joes Were Jumpy As VE-Day Came; One Asked Drink

WITH THE 84TH INFANTRY DIVISION, in Europe.—Typical GI reactions to V-E Day were given by five doughs of Company F, 335th Infantry.

Pfc. Le Roy R. Spak, Wisconsin Dells, Wis., stated, "I thought the war would never end."

"This continued safety is making me jumpy," said Pfc. Joseph F. McBride, Rixford, Penna.

"Where are the drinks?" asked Pfc. Paul P. Cardenas, Crystal City, Tex.

"I'm worrying about the damn CBI," said S/Sgt. Anthony Roginski, Scranton, Penna.

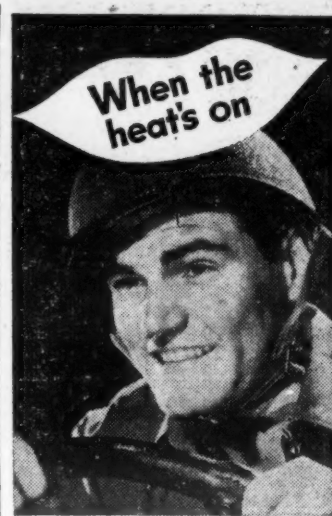
S/Sgt. Lewis A. Swonke, Dobbin, Tex., said, "I lit every lamp I could find and then walked outside to look at all the lighted windows."

Dentists Are Voted Right To Command

WASHINGTON. — Legislation giving Army dentists the same rights to command personnel and units in the Medical Department as medical, medical administrative and other officers has been passed by the Senate and sent to the House.

as to whether the release of this group would seriously affect the Army.

"It is also suggested that the older men will have a much more difficult time to secure employment and to pick up where they left off than will those who are younger."



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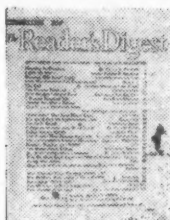
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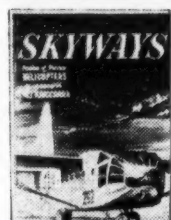
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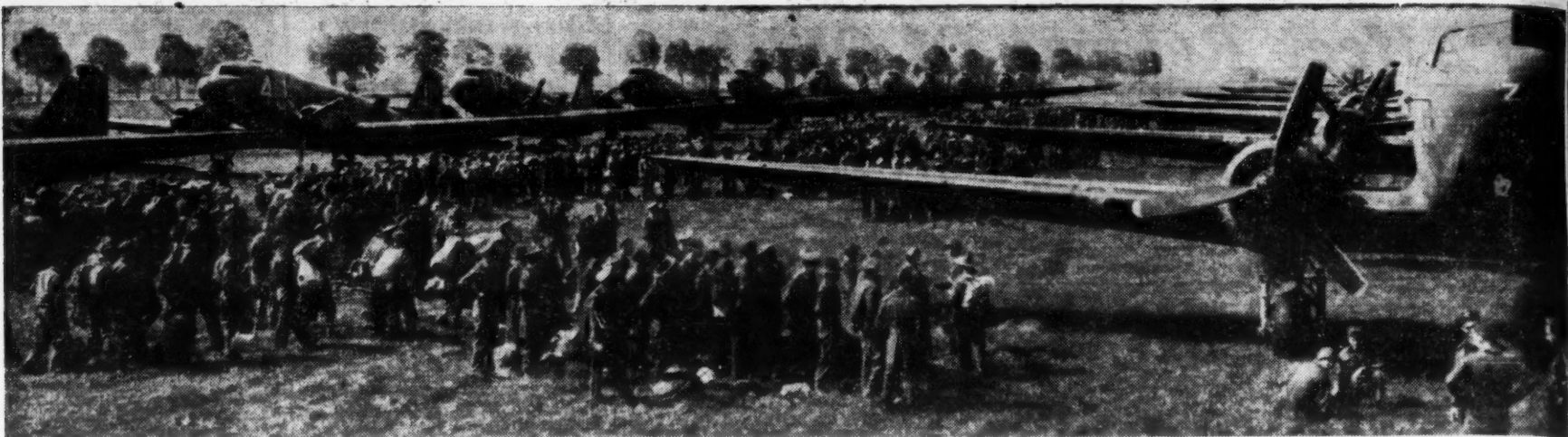
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Kills 100 Nazis, Frees Buddies From Trap, Is Given Honor Medal

WASHINGTON.—For destroying 100 Germans near Krinkelt, Belgium, last Dec. 17, thereby freeing his company from a seemingly hopeless trap, Sgt. Jose M. Lopez, of Brownsville, Tex., machine gunner of Co. K, 23d Inf. Regt., Second Infantry Division, has been awarded the Medal of Honor, the War Department announces.

In reporting the action, Lt. Paul E. Burkhardt stated the engagement lasted from 11:30 A. M. until 6 P. M., and added, "After beating off an assault from the front and then meeting and breaking up an attack from the flank, killing at least 35 Germans, Sergeant Lopez was forced to withdraw with his machine gun after tank fire had twice struck his position.

"Alone in holding up the advance, he was the target of every German weapon, but, disregarding the intense fire, he again set up his weapon and continued firing. Another tank approached to within 50 yards and its 88-mm. was swung

around and was turned directly on him. But he kept his fire on the advancing enemy.

"A shell from the 88 struck his position and he was blown backward from his gun. But he staggered back to it, reset it, and continued firing.

"All during this time ammunition bearers were forced to toss boxes of ammunition to him because of the tremendous volume of enemy fire

being poured into his position. When his reformed and reinforced company returned to the attack they drove the enemy from the area."

Sergeant Lopez, born in Mission, Tex., June 1, 1912, entered the Army April 8, 1942. He was awarded the Bronze Star Medal for gallantry in action in France last September and has the Purple Heart for wounds suffered last July 29.

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EM's May Apply For West Point

WASHINGTON. — Applications from enlisted men of the Army of the United States for appointment to the Military Academy class beginning July 1, 1946, have been invited by the War Department.

It is expected that about 20 to 25 appointments can be made from the Army for the class.

Men must file applications immediately in letter form, through channels, addressed to service command or theater commander. A selected group will be ordered to special preparatory training and will report for the regular competitive entrance examination on March 5, 1946.

Appointments to the academy will be tendered to those physically qualified in order of standing in the tests.

Applicants must be a citizen of the United States; unmarried and never married; have reached 19th, but not 22nd birthday on July 1, 1946; have completed one full year of active enlisted service, not necessarily continuous, on July 1, 1946; and be in an active enlisted status on that date; be high school graduate or its equivalent; have attained a score of 135 or better on the Army general classification test, and must meet the physical requirements for the academy outlined in AR 40-100 and AR 40-105.

Asks Tax-Free Pay

WASHINGTON. — Complete exemption of service pay from Federal income tax is proposed in a bill introduced this week by Sen. Bridges, R., New Hampshire.

Army Orders 30% Cut In Plane Production

WASHINGTON. — The War Department last week-end cut back airplane production 30 per cent for the second half of 1945 and ordered a 45 per cent reduction by the end of 1946.

The cutback orders, based on a one-war program, will reduce output during the next 18 months by approximately 17,000 planes and probably will result in the elimination of 750,000 jobs in aircraft industries.

On the basis of airframe weight, production will be scaled down from the present level 30 per cent for the balance of this year, 40 per cent for the first six months of 1946 and 45 per cent for the last six months.

"We do not propose to ask for more aircraft than are necessary for successful prosecution of the war," Gen. H. H. Arnold, chief of the Army Air Forces, said in announcing the post-VE-Day cutbacks.

"We are, therefore, cutting back production where possible consistent with our goal of winning the war as quickly as possible with minimum loss of life."

General Arnold said the attrition rate in Europe decreased as the Luftwaffe was destroyed "so many of the planes that fought in Eu-

rope will fight again against the Japanese."

Reduced Requirements

The Army announcement said that a "substantial percentage" of the changes resulted from decreased lend-lease requirements.

Future "cease production" dates were set at various plants for eight types of planes, while many others were ordered to taper off their output at specific times in the next 18 months.

The cutbacks indicate that the Army is to concentrate on fewer types of planes in the Pacific war. The Consolidated B-32 Dominator, huge sister of the B-29, apparently is not to be given a major role in the new schedules call for halting production at the San Diego plant this month and leveling off production at the Fort Worth plant at the current figure until the end of the year when production will end.

The Dominators have not yet been announced as having been in combat.

The Army also cancelled production of Lockheed's Shooting Star, a jet-propelled fighter, at the Kansas City plant although maintaining schedules at the Burbank, Calif., plant.

Average 68 Months In Army For 11 China High-Pointers

HEADQUARTERS, CHINESE COMBAT COMMAND, Kunming.—Under the Army's point system plan, Chinese Combat Command has sent its first shipment to America. It included 23 enlisted men and one officer.

Though 11 of them are from

Air-Minded Wac Wants Flying As Postwar Pastime

FORT SILL, Okla.—Aviation has played a major role in the life of T/3 Beulah D. Beahan, Field Artillery School Wac detachment, who at present instructs liaison pilots in the Department of Air Training, specializing in engine mechanics and ignition harnessing.

For two years, this air-minded Wac worked for Lockheed, doing engineering illustrating. She was a member of the Civil Air Patrol in a California wing group and in the task force of the Texas Border Patrol. She passed the civil service test in aircraft mechanics on large engines at Logan, Utah, and from there was sent to the Ogden Air Depot at Salt Lake City where she did injection carburetor work.

Sergeant Beahan has two aims after the war: one to do aircraft experimental work and secondly, to buy a plane of her own, "Perhaps one of our little grasshoppers."

infantry, they represent nine arms and services, average 68 months Army service each, and 13 men have more than 30 months each overseas.

This first group to be readjusted to American from Chinese Combat Command includes 17 from Regular Army, three who entered service through Selective Service, two from National Guard, and one each from Enlisted Reserve and Officers Reserve Corps. They include 11 Infantry, four Cavalry, two Coast Artillery Corps, two Detached Enlisted Men's List, one each from Signal Corps, Ordnance, Field Artillery, Medical Department (Veterinary Service) and from Branch Immaterial.

Only 56 months total Army service is countable for points toward readjustment though this group range from 19 years down to 41 months, with 13 of the men having more than the countable 56 months. Average overseas credits are 30 months each; however, these range from a high of 51 months down to four men with only 10 months each overseas. Each of the group has combat credits. Nine of the men are fathers of from one to three children.

Not all men eligible under existing China Theater directives for immediate return to the United States wish to go now. At one subordinate headquarters eight are eligible, five have asked to go and three plan to remain in China until the war is over.

House Group Begins Overhaul Of Army's Retirement Laws

WASHINGTON.—General overhauling of the Army's retirement laws has been undertaken by the promotions and retirements subcommittee of the House Military Committee, Chairman Brooks (D.), Louisiana, said this week.

The subcommittee at a meeting last week discussed the many bills affecting retirement of various classes of personnel now pending before it, and decided to call in the joint Army-Navy pay board to assist it in drafting general legislation rather than attacking the bills piecemeal.

The joint board, headed by Vice Adm. Randall Jacobs, Chief of Naval Personnel, recently began its own study.

Three main problems face the subcommittee.

One is providing a means of retirement for non-Regular officers and men who have had long periods of active and inactive Reserve and National Guard service. Some of this group have served in both World Wars and have been in reserve status, with and without active duty in the interim.

Second, is giving officers and men who are commissioned in or enlisted in the Regular Army under pending legislation some credit

toward retirement for their active service during this war. Under present law, men who enlist in the Regular Army will start at scratch in accumulating time for retirement, though they may have had as much as five years' service in this war.

Third, is the matter of giving Regulars on retirement some recognition for having held higher temporary ranks in this war. Men who served as officers in World War I can retire with honorary rank held and pay of warrant officer, junior grade, but men who hold commissions in this war have no such protection, unless they incur disability in line of duty while serving in the temporary rank.

Other questions also must be faced in bringing the retirement laws up to date. An Army man, for example, may count prior regular Navy or Marine Corps for re-

tirement under present laws, but may not count an earlier Coast Guard enlistment, although a number of them previously served in that branch.

In addition to hearing the joint pay board, the subcommittee may discuss the retirement question with veterans and service organizations. The National Guard and Adjutants General Associations recently endorsed a plan to permit retirement after long reserve service.

The subcommittee completed one piece of business at its first meeting, reporting to the full Military Committee Rep. Kilday's bill, H. R. 1512, which would permit men who retired with less than 30 years' service, thanks to double time toward retirement accumulated between 1898 and 1912, to count the time as double for pay purposes also.



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Attempt To Sidetrack Hospital Probe Fails

WASHINGTON.—An attempt by Rep. John Rankin (D., Miss.), chairman of the House Veterans Committee, to sidetrack investigation of conditions in veterans' hospitals in favor of routine duties, was blocked by committee members on Tuesday.

Rankin sought to end the hospital hearings to permit the committee more time to study pending legislation, including his \$1040 bonus bill and a bill to set up a Bureau of Medicine and Surgery in the Veterans Administration.

In a tempestuous session, the committee also voted to rescind its

contempt citation against Albert Deutsch, writer for PM, who refused to disclose to the committee the names of sources of confidential information. Deutsch will be recalled for further questioning.

During its Tuesday meeting committee members insisted that hearings on the hospital investigation be continued "without interruption," despite Rankin's claim that if they were "you'll be here until frost."

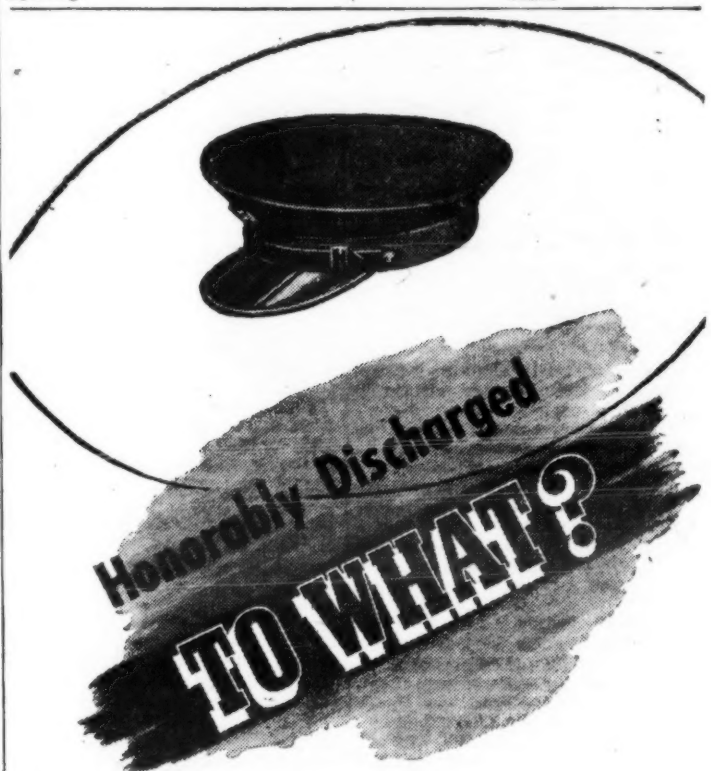


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Bill Mauldin Is a Genius, Says Forsythe

NEW YORK.—"I can recall no comparable genius in newspaper cartooning," writes Vic Forsythe about Sgt. Bill Mauldin.

Vic Forsythe, now famous as one of the nation's leading landscape painters, was once also one of the nation's leading cartoonists. He was the creator of "Joe Jinks," but quit at the height of his fame to devote himself to painting in California.

Forsythe, in addition to being a leading artist himself, has helped discover and develop talent in others. It was Forsythe, for instance, who persuaded Norman Rockwell to switch from cartoons to paintings and started Rockwell on his real career.

Now, writing from his home at San Marino, Calif., he "discovers" Bill Mauldin.

"That fellow Bill Mauldin, what a find!" he writes. "I can recall no comparable genius in newspaper cartooning. If he were no more than a splendid draughtsman I would take off my hat, but to have his mature sense of humor to go with his skill is more than we have a right to expect."

Approves Exchange Of Army Lecturers

WASHINGTON.—Legislation permitting the Army to use a donation of money by Mrs. Kermit Roosevelt, widow of the late Major Roosevelt, to finance exchange of military lecturers between the United States and Great Britain has been reported by the Senate Military Affairs Committee.

The bill already has House approval.

Drop Fees For Extra Naturalization Papers

WASHINGTON.—Payment of \$1 fees for applications for duplicates of lost or destroyed declarations of intention and certificates of naturalization would be waived for service personnel by a bill passed by the House and sent to the Senate.

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Chart Advises Patients Who Must Change Jobs

CAMP BUTNER, N. C.—Overseas veterans in the Camp Butner Convalescent Hospital who will be forced to change their occupations after release to civilian life are being guided to proper vocational selection by a Representative Job Chart compiled by the staff of the Counseling and Classification Staff.

The 4 x 5-foot model chart shows representative jobs that require no use, little use, or moderate use of the legs and feet, and lists 90 profitable types of work for GIs who must choose a different occupation or profession after they are discharged.

Many returnees will face occupational difficulties in the postwar world. While these men are patients here they are given the opportunity of taking one or more of the educational, vocational, musical, or agricultural courses offered under the Reconditioning Program. These courses are not designed to give the returnee a thorough

knowledge of a particular subject. They are intended to stimulate interest in a particular profession or vocation that may be followed up after discharge. And the "Representative Job Chart" helps to supply the soldier with information on the job for which he is best fitted.

The chart is divided into six sections: Agricultural, Fishery and Forestry; Semi-skilled Labor; Unskilled Labor, and Service Occupations. Each type of occupation lists 15 jobs that require no use, little use, or moderate use of the legs and feet.

Area To Send Out Soldiers 8000 Per Day

EUROPEAN THEATER.—Speedy processing of troops leaving Europe will be provided by the Assembly Area Command, key installation in the redeployment program, it was disclosed as Communications Zone headquarters announced details of the new unit's operations.

Headed by Maj. Gen. Royal B. Lord, former Com Z Chief of Staff, the new command has taken over a large area in Northeastern France, where some 350,000 troops at a time can be processed for redeployment. Headquarters of the command is at Rheims, scene of the German surrender.

In line with the Army's plans to move men and equipment out of the theater in one-third the time it took to get them here, General Lord has set two weeks as the maximum time for processing troops going home and a 25-day maximum for those going to the Pacific. When the command attains full-scale operation, there will be a turnover of 8000 men a day.

14,000 heavy bomber crews and more than 9000 four engine bombers were trained and sent to Europe by the Second Air Force.

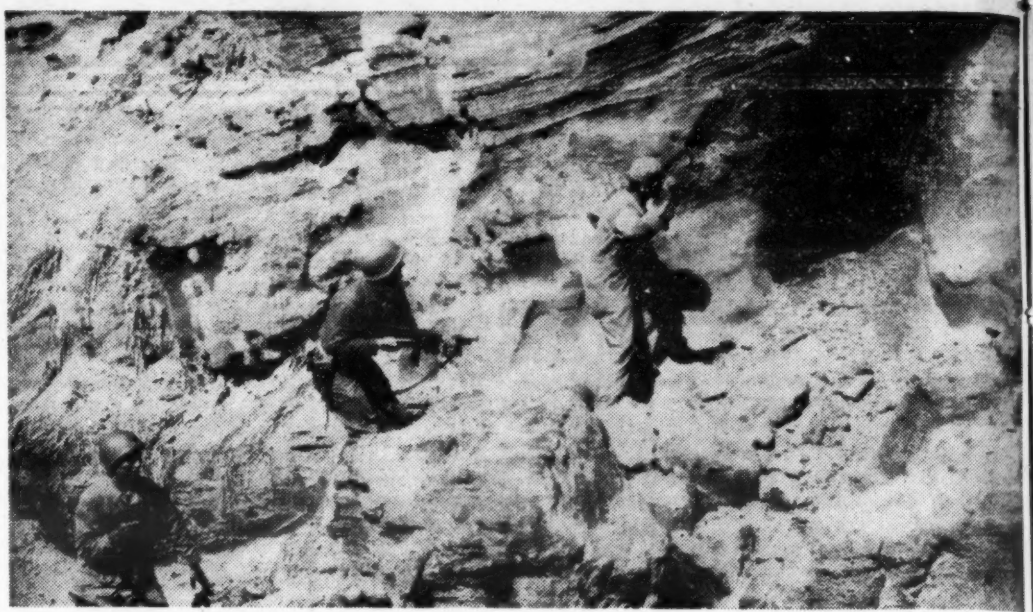
Propose Pay During Leave For Vets Taking Gov't Jobs

WASHINGTON.—Right of service personnel to go into federal civilian employment and receive pay while also receiving terminal leave pay became an issue in the Senate this week when that body—

1. Passed a private bill which would pay the \$8000-a-year secretary of the Surplus War Property Board the difference between that salary and the amount he received as terminal leave.

2. Received a new general bill S. 1036, introduced on behalf of Chairman Downey of the Civil Service Committee, which would provide that any person who went on active service after May 1, 1940, may enter or re-enter federal civilian employment while on terminal leave and be paid both civilian salary and leave pay.

The new bill would be retroactive, declaring that any service person



IT'S A HELL OF A TOUGH JOB, this cleaning up on Iwo Jima, for even after days of flame, grenades and machinegun fire, Japs will come out firing and slinging grenades. Here, two U. S. Army infantrymen and a Marine advance to the flame-blackened mouth of a cave to deliver the clinching grenade against the mountain hole.

Atlantic Hop Every Six Minutes For ATC At Redeployment Peak

WASHINGTON.—Rounding out its fourth year last Monday, the AAF Air Transport Command currently is engaged in the task of helping redeploy America's war might from the European and Mediterranean Theaters, the War Department announced today.

Supplementing surface transportation, a vast fleet of ATC transport planes will undertake to fly 50,000 men a month across the Atlantic when the redeployment program is in full swing. At the same time, it is aiding in the return to this country of tactical aircraft destined for further combat or training purposes.

Military personnel flown home, some of whom have already made the crossing, include soldiers with special skills and those to be released from the Army. When this movement reaches its peak, it will involve one flight over the Atlantic

every six minutes—the equivalent of circling the globe every 50 minutes.

Safety Checks Thorough

The tactical aircraft ferried westward from the European and Mediterranean Theaters are being flown by the same crews that took them into combat. ATC must help check these planes for safety before their departure, brief the crews for the trans-ocean flight, furnish celestial navigators where needed, and service the aircraft en route.

Movement of the tactical planes will gradually be stepped up to the point where there will be an even flow of between 100 and 125 aircraft a day on the way over the North and South Atlantic.

Hunter Field, Savannah, Georgia, and Bradley Field, Windsor Locks, Connecticut, are the main aerial ports of entry for the returning tactical planes.

Big east coast air terminals, such as LaGuardia Field and 36th Street Airport, Miami, are being used to debark the veterans flown home by ATC.

ATC also will bear the continuing responsibility of aerial supply to those American forces remaining in Europe, and will continue to ferry combat aircraft and transport supplies to the active war fronts. It will not interrupt its service of evacuating sick and wounded Army,

Navy and Marine personnel from overseas.

Cessation of hostilities on one side of the two-ocean war has magnified rather than lessened the operations of ATC, which was established May 29, 1941, to aid in solving the logistical problems the confronted America's widely deployed forces.

At the end of its first year, the record revealed ATC had delivered 187 planes overseas. It then had but 179 planes of its own, and in that first 12 months managed to transport 1920 tons of cargo and 6212 passengers to foreign destinations. It flew 16,480,000 miles in the first year, and its network of routes strung out to 57,000 miles.

By contrast, ATC, commanded by Lieutenant General Harold L. George, today operates a fleet of more than 2000 major transports that shuttle regularly over 166,000 miles of air routes. The Command flies more than 2,000,000 miles every 24 hours. In April, 1945, the most recent figures available, ATC carried 188,000 passengers and upwards of 80,000 tons of cargo and mail. It is flying sick and wounded back to the United States at the rate of 8000 a month. For the year ended March 31, 1945, it ferried more than 22,000 tactical aircraft overseas and delivered another 82,000 to their domestic destinations.

Army Quiz

1. U. S. Liberty ships are carrying cargoes of war materiel from Antwerp to Manila. How long would you say the round trip takes:

- A. One month?
- B. Six months?
- C. One year?

2. Recent dispatches noted that when the Americans met the Russians in Germany the commander of the U. S. 12th Army Group swapped a jeep for a horse with a corresponding commander, the head of the 1st Ukrainian Army Group. The Russian commander's first name is Ivan. Can you identify the two?

3. Various parties call for a "Carthaginian peace" for Germany. Does this mean—

- A. A "soft" peace?
- B. A moderate settlement?
- C. Harsh treatment?

4. The B-29 Superfortresses, which have been bombing Japan, are the largest bombers produced by the United States.

True? False?

5. While there are 49 delegations at the San Francisco Security Conference only 47 different flags are being flown as representing them. Can you explain why?

6. The United Nations War Crimes Commission will shortly begin the trials of Nazi war criminals.

True? False?

7. The "Blue Legion" was made up of Spaniards who fought in European campaigns against the Russians. Do you know who compose the "Blue Star Brigade" at present very active in the United States?

8. Last week President Truman appeared before a joint session of Congress to present a Congressional Medal of Honor to a Mississippi sergeant. Do you know whether this was the tenth, hundredth, or thousandth such medal awarded to American infantrymen in the present war?

9. The following places were prominent in the war news last week: Balet Pass, Davao, Venezia Giulia, Paoching, Yonabaru. Can you locate them?

10. When Okinawa is finally cleared of Japs it will be developed as an American air base. Saipan is said to accommodate 500 to 800 B-29s. Authorities have suggested how many can be accommodated on Okinawa. Would you say it is—

- A. 300 to 500?
- B. 1500 to 2000?
- C. 3000 to 4000?

(See "Quiz Answers," Page 19)

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CHINESE SOLDIERS listen to a speech by General Chen Ming Yun. They're young and they've been tough for the Japs, and with war now centered in the Pacific and with more ammo and equipment flowing in to them, they'll pour more hell on the Nips.

Four Pacific-Bound Divisions Will Leave ETO During June

PARIS.—Soldiers returned to the United States in May totalled 87,500, ETO has disclosed.

Another 255,500 Army and Navy personnel will be returned in June, it was said.

The 86th, 97th, 95th and 104th Infantry Divisions, all latecomers to the European theater, will leave for the Pacific via the United States in the order named.

Repatriations in May included 29,500 sick and wounded, 28,000 liberated prisoners, 15,000 potential discharges, and 11,000 members of redeployed units. Four thousand naval personnel also were returned.

Plans call for return during June of 20,500 sick and wounded, 15,000 freed prisoners, 35,000 potential discharges, 180,000 in redeployed units and 5000 naval personnel.

Personnel in the first four redeployed divisions who have 85 points or more are being replaced in Europe as much as possible in the time left. Those scheduled for discharge not so replaced will be removed while the divisions are in the United States.

Furloughs For All

Furloughs for men in the divisions scheduled to go to the Pacific will be followed by extra training in preparation for Jap warfare.

The first group from the Mediterranean theater arrived at Casablanca, May 22, by plane. They will be the first passengers on the new combined ferry service of the 15th Air Force and the Air Transport Command, scheduled to take 15,000 men a month from Italy to the United States, beginning in August.

Units Pacific-bound, either directly or via the States, will get top priority on shipping spaces, it

was said at Casablanca.

The 86th Infantry Division landed in the European Theater on November 10, 1944. It went into action in the last part of March, 1945, west of Regensburg, Germany. It was one of the units participating in the establishment of a bridgehead across the Danube.

The 97th Infantry Division arrived in the ETO August 13, 1944. It was part of the 15th Army during the holding operation on the west bank of the Rhine, and later joined the 1st Army to help clean out the Ruhr Pocket.

The 95th Infantry Division came

into the European Theater on Sept. 19, 1944. It was one of the divisions which captured Metz and made the Moselle crossing. The division won fame for the Thionville bridgehead operation, the taking of Saarlauten and the crossing of the Saar.

The 104th Infantry Division landed in the theater Sept. 15, 1944. It went into action helping the British clean out the Scheldt estuary, participated in the capture of Duren and Cologne and in the breakthrough across the Roer to the Rhine.

Jap PW, Riding In Jeep, Does MP Job; Warns Captors: 'Slow Down'

WITH THE 25TH INFANTRY (TROPIC LIGHTNING) DIVISION on Luzon.—As if the MPs checking their speed on the roads in the Caraballo Mountains of northern Luzon wasn't enough, Cpl. William J. Shannon, Kansas City, Mo., and Paul J. Rainey, Scranton, Pa., had to undergo the humiliating experience of having a Jap prisoner they were carrying in their jeep point out that they were exceeding

the speed limit.

The two "Tropic Lightning" doughboys were bringing the Jap prisoner from the front lines near Balete Pass to Division headquarters for interrogation.

With no MPs in sight and relaxed at the wheel, Shannon felt a hand on his shoulder. First the grinning Jap pointed to the speedometer which read 30 mph. and then to a sign along the road. It said "Speed Limit, 20 mph."

Both Shannon and Rainey laughed and decided the Japs must have MPs, too.

Surplus Food Parcels Given By Red Cross For Allied Prisoners

LONDON.—Surplus prisoner-of-war food parcels, totaling 15,500,000, have been given to SHAEF by the American, British and Dominion Red Cross societies, and the food will be used for Allied PWs awaiting return to their own countries. Some 10 million of the food parcels came from the U. S.

Surplus supplies of invalid foods, medicine and clothing will also be turned over for the same purpose by the Red Cross.

New Geographic Map Of China Shows All East's Battle Areas

WASHINGTON.—"Of all the countries on earth, China presents the biggest challenge to the map-maker," James M. Darley, chief cartographer of the National Geographic Society, said when the society's new map of China was recently completed. The 10-color chart is a supplement to the June issue of the National Geographic Magazine.

Copies of the map of China are available only at the headquarters of the National Geographic Society, 16th and M Streets, N. W., Washington 6, D. C.; paper, 50c; linen, \$1.

Sergeant Is Tops With 149 Pts. In Blanding's Elite

CAMP BLANDING, Fla.—Tabulation of all units here reveal there are 1175 EM and Wacs with the necessary 85 points or more to qualify for discharge.

High score for the Camp is held by M/Sgt. Cary E. Howard, of Dale City, Fla., with the imposing total of 149 points, with a record of 56 months' military service; 47 months' overseas duty; two combat decorations and three dependent children under 18 years old.

Twenty-four men in the IRTC with more than 85 points have indicated a desire to remain in the service.

Select U. S. Camps For Two Divisions

WASHINGTON.—The 86th Infantry Division will retrain for Pacific warfare at Camp Gruber, Okla., and the 97th Infantry Division will train at Ft. Bragg, N. C., AGF Headquarters said this week.

The two divisions are among four scheduled to return to the United States in June preparatory to shipment to the Pacific.

Himmler's Body Tossed To Worms In Unmarked Grave

LUENEBOURG, Germany.—Three British Army sergeants tossed the body of infamous Heinrich Himmler into an unmarked grave in the woods outside of Lueneburg last Saturday in much the same manner as the Germans buried the thousands of concentration camp victims of the Gestapo leader.

"Let the worm go to the worms," was the only requiem voiced over the grave—voiced by the British soldier who dug his grave.

Himmler's body had lain for two days on the spot where he fell after he took poison on May 23 rather than face trial as a war criminal. Before his burial his identity was confirmed beyond all doubt.

The most-hated of all Nazi lead-

ers was buried without a coffin in a secret spot after a senior British intelligence officer had been given instructions to dispose of the body as he saw fit.

A major and the three sergeants were summoned to the villa where the SS and Gestapo leader died. The sergeants grabbed the body, carried it outside, tossed it into a one-ton Army truck alongside three spades. They drove away.

No marker was left to identify the grave; no tell-tale mound of soil was left to give away the secret place of burial. The British do not intend to let the Germans find the body on some future date and exhume it—for any purpose.

Teach Jap Warfare To Men Moving Thru Pacific Area

HONOLULU.—Orientation programs designed to give troops moving from Europe to the Pacific a thorough knowledge of the enemy they face will be put into operation the moment the soldiers board transports.

A pamphlet, "How to Fight and Live in POA," will be distributed to men on vessels steaming to Hawaii and other Pacific bases.

The pamphlet describes the Japanese people and soldiers, Army discipline in the POA, combat hints and fighting techniques and contains a brief summary of the Pacific war.

Full files and new issues of

"Fighting Facts," a weekly Information and Education Section publication, giving the latest lowdown on the Japs, will be turned over to incoming orientation officers and will provide those officers with the basis of one-hour orientation programs each week.

The Replacement Training Command, POA, has set up eight hours of classes to prepare for the influx of men from Europe.

Orientation subjects will be taken from an article by Lt. Gen. Robert C. Richardson, Jr., commanding general, Army Forces, POA; a report of Adm. Ernest J. King, commander-in-chief, U. S. Fleet, and chief of naval operations, and from descriptions and explanations of Japanese strength and morale.

Ex-GI Gains 22 Pounds; Scoffs At Food Reports

WASHINGTON.—Representative Lyle (D., Tex.) former GI elected to Congress, doesn't think the food shortage is as bad as it's pictured, he told the House this week.

"Why, I've gained 22 pounds since my return to this country after I was elected to Congress," he said.

Lyle was elected while serving in the Army in Italy.

It's Happy Birthday For Sarge When Army Cuts Discharge Age

HEADQUARTERS, PANAMA CANAL DEPARTMENT.—The War Department played out-of-season Santa Claus to Sgt. Jay Erwin Perine, of Pomona, N. Y., when the headquarters soldier in the Panama Coast Artillery Command celebrated his third birthday in Panama.

Sgt. Perine turned 40 the same day the Army shaved two years from the former discharge age of 42, making the Coast Artilleryman eligible for release upon his own application.

Want Release Of Former Railroad Workers In Army

WASHINGTON.—Increased movement of war materials to the West Coast, and heavy burden on the railroads in the transportation of armed forces for furloughs, reassembly and reassignment have resulted in the National Management-Labor Policy of the War Manpower Commission making suggestion that former railroad workers in the Army be released to their old jobs.

The committee, it was announced by Frank P. Fenton, acting chairman of the committee and director of organization of the American Federation of Labor, adopted a resolution urging that the War Department "screen and demobilize" soldiers who formerly were railroad employees to permit them to resume their former employment.

Mr. Fenton said there is need for switchmen, brakemen and firemen, skilled trades journeymen, helpers and apprentices, telegraphers, freight handlers, track workers and other laborers.



OFFICIAL THIRST-QUENCHERS for the 307th Engineers of the 82nd Airborne Division in Germany are Pfc. George Popp, of Donora, Pa., (left), and Pfc. Steven McGuire, of Long Island, N. Y., pictured outside their "German Beer Hall" in Germany.



THESE FIVE tankmen from the 781st Tank Battalion made history May 4 when they roared through Brenner Pass to link up the 5th Army troops. They were the first tankers to crash through the one-time rendezvous of Hitler and Mussolini.

Halts Nazis In Bayonet Duel, Is Later Killed, Given Honor Medal

WASHINGTON. — T/Sgt. Frank D. Peregory, of the 116th Infantry Regiment, 29th Infantry Division, who with grenades and bayonet captured an enemy position that had halted a battalion advance last June 8 at Grandcamp, France, and who, six days later, was killed in action while singlehandedly storming another enemy machine-gun position, has been awarded the Medal of Honor posthumously, the War Department announced Tuesday.

The Medal will be presented to Sergeant Peregory's widow, Mrs. Bessie Peregory, at Charlottesville, Va.

In the action which won Sergeant Peregory the nation's highest award, the enemy was strongly entrenched and held up the Sergeant's battalion with heavy machine-gun and rifle fire. Repeated assaults were

turned back and tank fire, rifle grenades and bazookas failed to dent the German defenses.

Realizing it was necessary to go in after the Germans, Sergeant Peregory crawled into the withering fire that covered the hillside and worked his way to the crest. He carried only his rifle and bayonet and some hand grenades. Near the crest he discovered a trench that led toward the main fortification and dropped into it.

He found himself among a squad of enemy riflemen and immediately engaged them in a bayonet fight. He killed eight of these and captured three others and then, with his prisoners, advanced on the main positions along the shelter of the trench. This was a deeply entrenched machine-gun position and using the hand grenades he de-

stroyed the position and forced the surrender of 32 other German riflemen.

Sergeant Peregory was born in Albermarle County, Va., April 10, 1915. He entered the Army while a member of Company K, 116th Infantry Regiment, Virginia National Guard, when that organization was called to Federal Service.

Before going overseas he distinguished himself in a courageous rescue of a fellow infantryman in a training accident and for this was awarded the Soldier's Medal. During the training of the 29th Infantry Division at the A. P. Hill Military Reservation, Va., a truck in which Sergeant Peregory and five other patrol members were riding skidded on an icy road and plunged through the ice of a deep canal. One of the men was trapped inside the canvas cover.

Twice plunging through the hole in the ice, Sergeant Peregory swam through the opening in the canvas and finally carried the unconscious soldier to the surface.

Discharged Officers Being Trained As VA Contact Men

WASHINGTON. — The Veterans Administration is training and assigning discharged Army officers of field grade as liaison representatives at all Army Separation Centers to see that all matters relating to the VA are handled with accuracy and dispatch.

The discharged officers are assigned as members of the staff of the commanding officers of the Separation Centers and are in addition to contact representatives of the VA who have been in the centers for some months to assist men being discharged.

Brig. Gen. Frank T. Hines, administrator of Veterans Affairs, said the officers are given an intensive orientation course in Veterans

Administration procedure at the Washington central office and then assigned to the Separation Centers.

Their duty at these installations is to render every assistance to the commanding officer in matters pertaining to the VA and to be the contact between these installations and the VA in Washington. It is of utmost importance that the arrangements between the service department and the VA, relative to the furnishing of information concerning rights and benefits and applications for benefits under laws administered by the VA, as well as certain documents executed by the service departments, be handled with accuracy and dispatch, General Hines said.

Wire Strung By Army In Europe Would Encircle Earth 35 Times

WASHINGTON. — American armies in their drive across Western Europe left behind them a vast wire web which if strung out in a single strand would extend more than 35 times around the equator, according to figures received in the Office of the Chief Signal Officer.

From the time troops first hit the invasion beaches of Normandy June 6, 1944, until the middle of April, 1945, nearly 900,000 miles of field wire and cable were strung across the battlefields of France, Belgium, Holland and Germany. The network was a major part of one of the greatest military communications systems of all times.

Figures show that 210,000 miles of assault field wire were strung by Signal Corps units attached to front-line combat groups connecting command and observation posts immediately behind the spearheads. More than 200,000 miles, the equivalent of eight globe-encircling

strands, were strung after the drive across the Rhine early in March.

Also, 650,000 miles of field wire and 35,000 miles of cable were added as the armies established firm control over increasing areas. Besides the huge stores of wire reels which were established in Great Britain before the landings, additional wire was shipped directly from the United States at the rate of 100,000 miles per month since last November.

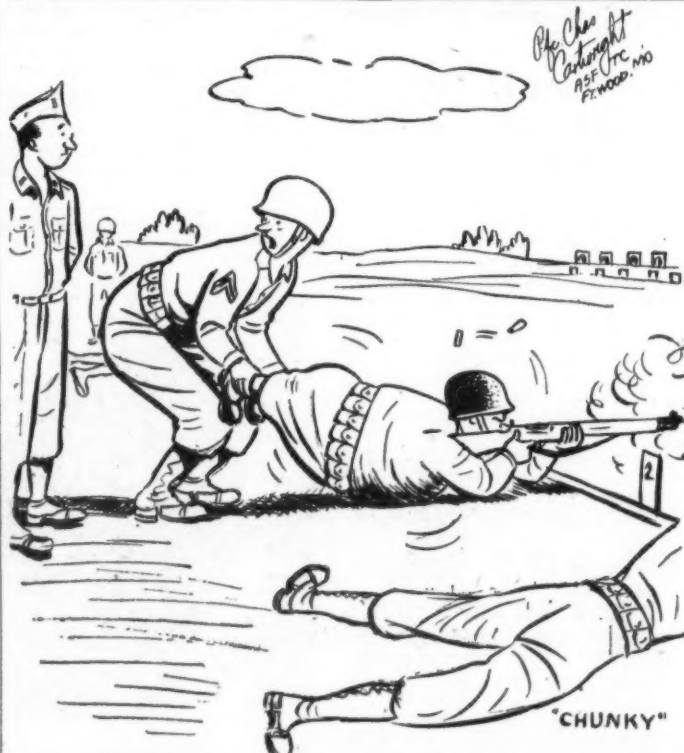
3 Japs Were Guests, Fail Password Test, Are Now Dead 'Bums'

WITH THE AMERICAN INFANTRY DIVISION, in the Philippines. — It started out to be a pleasant social gathering. It ended up with a flurry of shooting and three dead Japs.

Pfc. Marvin Gladen, of Flint, Mich., was the host. Sitting near his foxhole on Cebu one evening he watched three soldiers approach and sit down, too—about five feet away from him.

They were big, they seemed to have beards; Gladen thought they were GIs. Just to make sure, he gave them the password test. They flunked.

Some one shouted "Shoot the bums," and the bums were shot. In the morning, Gladen found three very dead Japs near his foxhole.



—Pfc. Chas. Cartwright, ASFTC, Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.
"It's the only way I can keep the recoil from rocking him back to a standing position."



—American Red Cross Photo
LEMONADE IN HOT WEATHER is the addition to the doughnut-and-coffee menu of the American Red Cross at air evacuation bases in Germany. Louise Perry, who's tasting the cooling drink, and Marjorie McFadden have served food to as many as 800 wounded in one day, and each month the Red Cross has dispensed 8,000,000 doughnuts and 2,800,000 cups of coffee. S/Sgt. Joseph Barnosky, who bosses the hospital mess, looks on.

Yank Ex-PWs Told By AAF Liaison Men To 'Write Their Own Ticket'

PASADENA, Calif. — American soldiers who have been detained by the enemy and who have since returned to duty in this country will virtually write their own ticket from now on as far as the Army is concerned, it was disclosed at the second semiannual conference of the Army Air Forces hospital liaison officers held at Regional Hospital here.

Ex-prisoners may select their own jobs, their own stations, and will receive number three priority on air travel. They may take an extra dependent to the redistribution center at government expense. Schooling and many other advantages are offered to them.

The three-day conference is being attended by Air Corps liaison officers stationed in various general and regional hospitals in California, Oregon and Washington. Purpose of the meeting is to establish policies and improve administration methods of the nationwide hospital liaison program. The plan, started a year ago by the Air Corps and now being set up by all other Army branches, has already reduced pa-

tient-days in hospitals, greatly improved morale and has sent more men back to useful duty. The program is designed to treat patients as individuals and not as "serial numbers in human form."

Lt. Col. Fred C. Slauson, chief of the hospital liaison division with headquarters in Louisville, Ky., presided at the conference. He told officers that there will be no more training for aviation cadets anywhere in the country. But air crew members who want to learn to fly will be taught. He said that 56 per cent of all Air Corps personnel being discharged have indicated a desire to return to school. With respect to ex-prisoners of war, he instructed officers to give them every

legitimate service.

"When in doubt," he declared, "give it to them anyway, and we'll straighten it out later. We're going all-out for these men. Our debt to them will never be paid."

Lt. Edwin V. Rawley, of Alexandria Bay, N. Y., who lost both hands in a bomber crash last year, demonstrated for conference members a new artificial wrist recently developed by Col. Hobart D. Belknap, commanding officer of Pasadena Regional Hospital. Lieutenant Rawley, stationed at England General Hospital at Atlantic City, N. J., joined the program last month. He is concerned with showing how to develop the proper attitude in amputees.

Mustering-Out Pay Cost Will Balance Pay Savings

WASHINGTON. — Mustering-out pay to demobilized Army personnel probably will balance any reduction in Army payrolls this year, Ted R. Gamble, national director of the War Finance Division, Treasury Department, has stated in a plea for war bond purchases during the 7th War Loan.

The pay and the muster-out pay

of the 1,300,000 men scheduled to be discharged under the point system this year will be approximately \$390,000,000, Mr. Gamble said.

Average Army pay, taking dependents' allowances into account, is \$100 a month, the Treasury said. Muster-out pay for overseas veterans is usually \$300, so there will be no reduction of expenses for the average man released until about three months after discharge.

Discharges, moreover, will be spread over a number of months, many of them coming late in the year.

Kept Busy!

WITH THE 100TH DIVISION OF 7TH ARMY, in Germany. — Life in the German occupation hasn't become any life of ease for Lt. Joseph M. Crockett.

This 100th Division officer of the 398th Infantry is now: the 398th's MP officer; executive officer of Regimental Headquarters Company; Graves Registration Officer; Company Mess Officer; and Regimental Gas Officer. Apparently because he's so good at this variety of jobs, he is expected soon to become Regimental Athletic Officer.

Praised By Patton

WITH ARMY FORCES, in Germany. — The 3063rd Engineer Dump Truck Company was commended by Gen. George S. Patton at the dedication exercises held at the Roosevelt Memorial Railroad Bridge, spanning the Rhine, for its clearing and grading the approaches to the bridge in the record time of nine and one-half days.

Need Additional Baby Care Funds

WASHINGTON. — With funds for maternity and child care of dependents of men of the four lower pay grades running out, Congress has been asked by President Truman to appropriate \$2,300,000 additional to last through June.

Appropriations amounting to \$42,800,000, made available July 1, 1944, have proved insufficient, and there is question whether the \$44,189,500 the House voted last week for maternity and child care for the year beginning July 1, 1945, will be enough.

Memorial Service Honors War Dead

JEFFERSON BARRACKS, Mo. — A Non-Denominational Memorial Service honoring the families of World War II casualties was held under the auspices of Jefferson Barracks, Sunday, May 27, in front of the Municipal Opera Theater in Forest Park, immediately following a Seventh War Loan Program which opened with a concert by the 443rd Army Service Force Band.



FOR DIFFICULT JOB WELL DONE, Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, Supreme Allied Commander, awards the Bronze Star Medal to 1st Lt. Virginia G. Kincaid, of Chicago, administrative officer and personnel assistant of the Public Relations Division at SHAEF, France.

Seek Officers for Far East Civil Affairs Assignments

WASHINGTON. — Officers in grades of second lieutenant to lieutenant colonel, inclusive, are being sought for training as civil affairs officers for Far East assignments.

A monthly total quota of 250, sub-allotted to various commands and departments, is being assigned to a two months' course of instruction at the School of Military Government, Charlottesville, Va., followed by training at selected universities.

Free Soldier Who Struck Nazi POW's

WASHINGTON.—An American soldier sentenced to two years at hard labor and dishonorable discharge as a result of conviction by court martial of kicking and striking with his fists nine German prisoners who refused to work was freed this week after House Democratic Leader McCormack protested the sentence to the War Department.

The soldier, Pvt. Joseph McGee, who was wounded at Liege, where he won the Silver Star, was convicted at Le Mans, France, on Oct. 17, 1944, on testimony of the nine prisoners. A tenth prisoner and three American soldiers also were witnesses.

Rep. McCormack called the sentence "ridiculous" in view of the treatment the Nazis accorded their prisoners and demanded that the case be reviewed.

Within 24 hours Under Secretary of War Patterson reduced the sentence to time served and remitted the sentence of dishonorable discharge. Private McGee was restored to duty as of May 27.

McGee, who has 120 points for discharge, said he intends to stay in the Army and make it his life work.

Suggests Deposit Return Piecemeal

WASHINGTON.—Legislation to permit soldiers, at their option, to draw their deposits in three or six monthly installments after discharge was introduced in the House this week by Rep. Cole, Kansas.

Deposits now are repaid in full on date of discharge, Mr. Cole pointed out, saying that payment later would make the soldier "less subjected to the pressure of unwise expenditures."

Sergeant Shares Bed With Tiger

BURMA.—Sgt. N. D. Crowther, serving with a West African division in Arakan, thinks he shared his bed in a rain shelter recently with a tiger.

Crowther expected a companion to join him in the shelter and calmly moved over when something crawled in beside him. Later he stirred, stretched and felt warm fur, but before he was wide awake his companion left. He also left tiger tracks in the rain shelter.

Private Who Died Leading Bazooka Attack Is Awarded Medal Of Honor

WASHINGTON. — Pfc. Carl V. Sheridan, of Baltimore, Md., who gave his life last Nov. 28 to blast an opening into an ancient castle defended by German paratroopers near Weisweiler, Germany, has been awarded the Medal of Honor posthumously, the War Department announced Monday.

The Medal will be presented to Private Sheridan's father, Charles E. Sheridan, of Baltimore.

Called Frenzenberg Castle, seizure of the castle's hill position was vital to the assaulting Infantrymen for observing and directing artillery fire. The American doughboys advanced 1000 yards under terrific artillery and mortar fire and only 35 men of Private Sheridan's company remained when the company paused at the castle drawbridge. Crawling into the open to obtain mortar shells from his wounded ammunition bearer, Private Sheridan ignored the frenzied fire from the German defenders, estimated by Capt. William R. McWaters, Atlanta, Ga., to number 70.

"The only entrance to the castle was over a drawbridge and Private Sheridan realized his bazooka was the only weapon that could blast the solid oak gates," Captain McWaters reported. "The moat was 20 feet wide.

"Advancing into the enemy fire, he fired two well-aimed rockets against the gate, but realized a hole had to be blasted through the barricaded gateway to permit our men to storm the position. Walking to the drawbridge, he fired his third and last round.

Last Shot Blasts Door

"The shell blasted the gates and

the opening was made. Private Sheridan took a .45 caliber pistol from his holster and waved it at the German fire being concentrated on him. He yelled to the men of the company, 'Come on, let's get them.' Shortly afterward he was fatally wounded, and he died facing the enemy."

Private Sheridan was born in Baltimore Jan. 5, 1925. He enlisted in the Army May 1, 1943, and as a

member of the 2nd Bn., 47th Inf. Regt., 9th Infantry Division, took part in the St. Lo breakthrough and the fighting through the Argentan sector. He shared in the combat of his division through Belgium and fought in Western Germany from Sept. 14 until his death. Following the bitter hedgerow fighting in France, he was awarded the Combat Infantryman Badge.

Less Than 1 Man Per 1000 Dies From Disease In Army

WASHINGTON. — The War Department revealed this week that during the past three years the Medical Department has maintained a record of less than one death from disease per 1000 men per year.

During the first World War 19 out of every 1000 men died each year from diseases.

Under Secretary of War Patterson said that in all, during this war, 12,000 men died from disease in the period between Dec. 7, 1941, and May 1, 1945. In World War I, 62,670 men died from disease.

"Malaria has been reduced from hundreds of cases per 1000 men per year to less than 50," Patterson said. "The dysenteries, which once put entire regiments and armies out of action, have occurred among less than 90 out of every 1000 men per year, and have been readily controlled. During World War I, 38 per cent of the men who contracted meningitis died, compared with 4 per cent in the present war, and 24 per cent of those who caught pneumonia died in 1918, compared with only seven-tenths of one per cent in this war."

Clark Flies To Chicago With 5th Army Veterans

PARIS. — Hand-picked veterans of the 5th Army accompanied Gen. Mark W. Clark to the United States to participate in Memorial Day observances in Chicago.

The 50 officers and men, all of Chicago and vicinity, arrived at the city May 29. They were chosen personally by General Clark, the 15th Army Group commander said, and "every man in the group especially distinguished himself.

All of the enlisted men, he added, have enough points for discharge. General officers in the group are: Lt. Gen. Geoffrey Keys, Maj. Gen. Raymond S. McLain, Maj. Gen. Nathan F. Twining, Maj. Gen. Herbert L. Earnest, Maj. Gen. Edward

H. Brooks, Maj. Gen. John B. Coulter, Brig. Gen. Ralph Immel, Brig. Gen. Fay R. Upthegrove and Brig. Gen. Robert D. Knapp.

General Clark stated that he would witness the graduation of his son from the Military Academy on June 5 before returning to Europe.

V-E Brings More Sweets For PXs

WASHINGTON.—Stocks of many popular brands of candy, intended for use by our troops in the European Theater of Operations, will be distributed by the Quartermaster Corps to Army Exchanges in this country, thereby reducing current procurement from commercial sources, the War Department announces.

Army exchanges have been notified by the War Department that no purchases of the several types of chocolate bars, chocolate coated bars and fruit drops are to be made from other sources until further notice. Shift of Army exchange supply to QM depot stocks is expected to make more candy available to civilians from commercial stocks.

States Ask Place For ORC, Nat. Gd. In Postwar Army

WASHINGTON.—Resolutions have been adopted by the New Hampshire and North Carolina legislatures urging Congress to preserve the National Guard, Officers' Reserve Corps and Organized Reserves as components of the postwar Army and to integrate peacetime selective service with those components if a peace draft is adopted.

Several other states also have adopted similar resolutions.

General Brett, Air Chief, Retires

WASHINGTON.—Lt. Gen. George H. Brett, a permanent colonel in the Air Corps, went on the retired list April 30 on his own application after 25 years' Army service.

General Brett retired with rank of major general, a rank he held for a four-year term ending May 31 as chief of the Air Corps.

'Rouse' Yourself!

WITH THE 70TH DIVISION OF 7TH ARMY, in Germany.—Sgt. Fred Nelson, wire chief in the 3rd Battalion, 276th Infantry, was in a German house in a German village in search of one of his elusive wiremen, Pfc. Milton E. Rouse. "Rouse," he called—and heard a sudden scrambling and jabbering. Peering out of a window he saw a flock of civilians milling around in the yard below.

"Rouse" may be just another name in the U. S.—but in Germany it implies a vehement "scram," which is what the civilians were doing.

McCoy To Construct Oriental Village For Training Purposes

CAMP MCCOY, Wis.—American fighting men who helped defeat Germany will learn the art of fighting the Japanese at Camp McCoy, it was disclosed today with the announcement by Col. George M. MacMullin, post commander, that the War Department has authorized construction of an Oriental fighting village here as one of four projects whose cost totals \$359,668.

The Oriental village, to be used for training in fighting the Japs in their natural habitat, will cost \$50,-

000, Lt. Col. Halbert E. Fillinger, post engineer, stated.

Colonel MacMullin stated: "The new fighting village will have fortified cave areas, buildings identical with many the men will encounter in the Jap homeland and all the camouflage characteristics used by the enemy.

"Training in such surroundings will acquaint the troops with actual Pacific combat conditions and will ready them for the tough job ahead against the Japs."

Overseas, Short 12 Points, Cable Tells Him Stork Brought 'Bundle'

WITH THE 84TH INFANTRY DIVISION, in Europe.—The final score is all that counts, said Sgt. B. Krassner of Fort Worth, as he had the last laugh on fellow Rail-splitters in the First Battalion, 333rd Infantry.

After tallying his discharge points with other battalion members, Krassner discovered that he was 11 points shy of the minimum amount

considered for discharge.

"Too bad," his friends said, "here comes the CBI."

But the following morning, Krassner had to count his points over again. The company mail clerk notified him that he had just gained 12 additional points when a son, Larry Allen, weighing 7 pounds 2 ounces, was born on April 27.

Millions Turned Out By German Counterfeiters

WITH THE 80TH INFANTRY DIVISION.—An underground Nazi counterfeiting "Mill" which turned out millions of dollars worth of United States and British currency in large denominations, besides hundreds of faked identifications credentials, was uncovered by the 8th Infantry Division near Schlier, Austria.

More than 150 skilled slave engravers and technicians told investigators they had printed more than 12,000,000 English pound notes, U. S. 50 and 100 dollar bills, and credentials for American War Correspondents and British and French Red Cross workers.



BURMA JUNGLES and mountain peaks of 8500 feet make the 200-mile Tengchung cutoff the toughest in the world and requires highest efficiency by the Burma Road Engineer's Ordnance Section in keeping roadbuilding equipment in shipshape so there'll be no interruption in getting supplies from India to China through the shortcut. Here, Sgt. George A. Miller, of Tulsa, Okla., and T/5 Joseph T. Lapinskas, of Chicago, are at work with Tang, their Chinese helper.



—Signal Corps Photo
WACS FROM CAMP STONEMAN were among the enlisted personnel chosen to represent the armed forces of the United States at opening sessions of the San Francisco Conference. From left, they were T/5 Margaret Nate, Portland, Ore.; Cpl. J. J. Pyle, Dearborn, Mich.; T/4 Ann Irene Sheahan, Waverly, N. Y.; T/4 Nanette Free, Staten Island, N. Y., and T/4 Kathleen B. Eachus, Monroe, Ore.

Point System Devised For Conscientious Objectors

WASHINGTON.—A point system for conscientious objectors modeled on that of the Army will release approximately 10 per cent of the 8400 men now in work camps and other civilian projects beginning in August.

The program does not apply to approximately 50,000 objectors inducted into the armed forces for noncombat duty, who must qualify under the Army point system, or to 3500 men claiming to be objectors who have been jailed for draft-dodging.

Points will be allotted on this

basis:

One point for each month of service; 3 points for a wife married prior to May 12, 1945; 12 points for each child born before May 12, 1945.

From this total one point will be deducted for each day the objector was AWOL and one for each day he refused to work. No minimum number of points for discharge will be set, but objectors with the highest totals will be released first.

Nine hundred are expected to be discharged within a year.

"Airborne Attack" Draws Crowd

STOUT FIELD, Ind.—"Airborne Attack," being staged by the AAF Troop Carrier Command and AGF Airborne Troops on behalf of the Seventh War Loan Drive, has been witnessed by more than 1,800,000 persons in 11 cities from April 30 to May 12.

Three tour companies, consisting of 68 flying officers and enlisted specialists, mostly overseas veterans, are spanning the Nation at the request of the Treasury Department to demonstrate the most daring methods and techniques of airborne warfare as used in recent major invasions in the European Theater of Operations.

Top crowd was at the Chicago

Municipal Airport, where more than one million saw the flying demonstration. In Cincinnati, more than 200,000 saw "Airborne Attack."

Soldier Who Was "Rich For A Day" Home—Dead Broke

SEATTLE.—The soldier who was a "Millionaire For A Day" in Germany came home with exactly 15 cents in his jeans.

Sgt. George Murphy, combat engineer, unearthed the Nazi gold cache of many millions in a salt mine at Merkers, Germany, last month, and when he returned to his Post, the Army rewarded him with \$96.40, his month's overseas pay. But his riches were short-lived. In an "Accey-Ducey" session that night, he dropped his bankroll. "Easy come, easy go," commented Sergeant Murphy.

Changes His Mind, But It's Too Late

FORT WORTH FIELD, Tex.—Offered a discharge because of his 158 points, Staff Sergeant Captain E. Barker, of C Squadron's Supply, turned down the walking papers on grounds he'd "like to remain in the Army." Next day, however, the beribboned veteran of African air battles "changed his mind," but the discharge had been awarded to another man and he has to wait for the next quota.

Pearl Harbor Trial Liability Extended

WASHINGTON.—Legislation extending court-martial liability of persons involved in the Pearl Harbor disaster until six months after end of the war with Japan was reported to the Senate this week by its Judiciary Committee.

Would Have Congress Approve Camp Sales

WASHINGTON.—No Army real estate or buildings thereon could be disposed of without authority from Congress, a bill introduced by Chairman May (D.), Kentucky, of the House Military Affairs Committee provides.

Uses Weapons Of Slain Comrades To Hold Nazis, Wins Honor Medal

WASHINGTON.—Sgt. Oscar G. Johnson, of Foster City, Mich., who alone and for two days and nights last September was the "toehold" of his Co. B, 363rd Infantry Regiment, 91st Infantry Division on the Gothic Line near Scarperia, Italy, has been awarded the Medal of Honor, the War Department announced Wednesday.

Using the weapons of his slain and wounded comrades, the 24-year-old sergeant, then a pfc., stood alone at the base of the German defense arc at Monticello Ridge and with the fire of his assortment of weapons stopped repeated German attacks.

Other Infantrymen who sought to move up to his aid were cut down by the deadly blast of fire that was centered on his position. Sergeant Johnson escaped injury, although the grass and shrubs were afterwards found sheared and scorched for scores of yards around the position.

"In four days of bitter fighting against fanatical German resistance the company took its immediate objective," the company report of his unit states. "The Germans were in a semi-circular rise of ground just ahead and their machine guns poured scissoring fire over the area. Under the continuous grazing fire four officers of the company were hit in the first three hours when they momentarily looked over a sheltering embankment in an effort to locate the enemy machine guns.

"By evening of Sept. 17 the company strength was down to 45 men and all officers had been killed or wounded. All the company's machine guns had been knocked out."

Stands His Ground

Through this fighting and that of

the following day, Sept. 18, Sergeant Johnson stood his ground in an advance position guarding the left flank of the position.

"That flank was the only point through which the Germans could break the American penetration and Sergeant Johnson was the key," the report concludes. "They knew he was, and concentrated five companies of German paratroopers on the flank position."

Shortly after this action Sergeant Johnson was awarded the Combat

Infantryman Badge. On Oct. 19 he was slightly wounded in action and later awarded the Purple Heart. He was returned to duty on Nov. 12, and as last reported was still with his unit overseas.

Sergeant Johnson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar G. Johnson, Sr., live on a family dairy farm near Foster City, Mich., where the sergeant was born March 25, 1921. He worked on the farm while attending school and before entering the Army.

Unit Has Tough Assignment; Guards Rocket Bomb Plant

WITH THE 84TH INFANTRY DIVISION, in Germany.—Company L, 335th Infantry, is literally sitting on a keg of dynamite—guarding a huge shipping and assembly plant for the infamous German V-1 rocket bombs. An estimated 2500 of the bombs are stored there, including rocket bombs equipped with cockpits.

According to Lt. Francis M. Marchant, of Greenville, N. C., in charge of guarding the plant, there are more than 200 buildings.

The plant covers a broad acreage in pine forests. Here—hidden and carefully camouflaged—is a complete assembly area for the deadly weapon that wrought so much destruction in the last days of Nazi Germany.

A railroad yard, covered by imitation trees, still has more than 50 freight cars. "In the buildings scattered among the pine forests are the bombs, some of them ready for shipment and charged with explo-

sives. Here, Lieutenant Marchant found the bombs with built-in cockpits holding one occupant.

In other buildings were found partially assembled V-1 bombs in various stages of completion. The buildings are located far apart and fire-fighting apparatus is everywhere, including huge dumps of sand.

Paths were marked with luminous paint as were air-raid shelters.

Propose Cemetery Work With Veteran Caretakers

WASHINGTON.—Legislation providing for a network of national cemeteries covering each state and providing that cemetery personnel shall be selected, when possible, from among service personnel who have been honorably discharged or relieved from active duty was reported to the Senate this week by its Military Affairs Committee.

The committee pointed out that the 80 present cemeteries are in some cases already full and in many other instances badly located since most of them were developed following the Civil War, and proposed immediate establishment of 79 new burial grounds.

Gen. Walker Heads 8th Service Command

WASHINGTON.—Lt. Gen. Walton Harris Walker has been named to succeed Maj. Gen. Richard Donovan as Commanding General of the Eighth Service Command, with headquarters in Dallas, Tex., the War Department announces. General Donovan has been transferred to Washington, where he will serve as Deputy Chief of Staff for Service Commands.

General Walker recently returned from overseas to assume his new duties. Since September, 1944, he has been Commanding General of the XX Corps, Third Army, in the European Theater of Operations.

Army Says Primers Used In Bombs Burn "Nagoya To Ground"

EAST ALTON, Ill.—Officials of the Western Cartridge Company, division of Olin Industries, Inc., were notified by Army officials that primers manufactured at the East Alton ammunition plant and used in the Army's new fire bombs being dropped on Japan are "burning Nagoya to the ground."

This information was disclosed to the company and its employees in a congratulatory telegram from Col. Harry H. Lebkicher, commanding officer of the Chemical Warfare Procurement District, Chicago.

Unit Approves Draft Board's Medal

WASHINGTON.—Unpaid members of draft boards and other volunteer selective service personnel who have completed more than two years of faithful service would be eligible for award of a special medal under terms of a bill, already approved by the House, which has been reported to the Senate by its Military Committee.

WOULD OPEN WAR HOUSING TO SOLDIERS AND VETERANS

WASHINGTON.—Legislation opening war housing to servicemen and veterans and authorizing construction of additional war housing for such persons or the moving of present houses if necessary was reported to the House this week by the Public Buildings and Grounds Committee.

The committee reported a new bill, H. R. 3322, after a series of discussions last week.

Rentals for the housing are to be

fixed "within the financial reach of families of servicemen and veterans with families," the bill provides.

A compelling reason for the bill has been the discharge of wives of servicemen due to cutbacks in war plants and the resultant eviction of the families because they have not been eligible to occupy war housing under present law.

Many men returning from overseas also have been unable to find homes.

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Give Medical, Combat Badges Posthumously

WASHINGTON.—The combat infantryman and medical badges may now be awarded posthumously, the War Department has ordered.

Prohibition against award of the expert infantryman badge after death remains in effect.

Where death occurs after May 23, 1945, the Adjutant General will make award of the combat and medical badges on basis of reports of death received, but for deaths which occurred between Dec. 7, 1941, and May 23, 1945, the badges will be awarded on application to the Adjutant General by the next of kin of a deceased person eligible for the badge.

Gen. Jarman Heads New POA Command

FT. SHAFTER, T. H.—Formation of the Western Pacific Base Command, under command of Maj. Gen. Sanderford Jarman, was announced this week by Lt. Gen. Robert C. Richardson, Jr., commanding general of Army forces in the Pacific Ocean Areas.

The new command, comprising territory wrested from the enemy in the Western Pacific, will be delegated defense and administrative duties for the Army in that area. Similar base commands operating under POA were established in the central Pacific and the south Pacific in the summer of 1944.

5250 Enroll In Month Under VA

WASHINGTON. — Brig. Gen. Frank T. Hines, Administrator of Veterans' Affairs, announces that during the month of April, 5250 veterans of the present war entered training under laws administered by the Veterans Administration, bringing to 38,030 the total number of veterans now enrolled under Public Law No. 16 and the GI Bill of Rights.

Of the total being rehabilitated under Public Law 16, 10,224 are in educational institutions and 4254 are being taught on the job. The proportion selecting institutional training under the GI Bill of Rights is even higher, with 22,547 in schools and only 1005 receiving on-the-job training.

The difference in these two types of training is in the two laws that authorize them. General Hines explained that Public Law 16 was enacted for the rehabilitation of veterans who have service-connected disabilities that are serious enough to be pensionable and constitute a vocational handicap that can be mitigated by training designed to restore the employability of the veteran. To be eligible under this law a veteran must have been found to have a service-connected disability and be receiving a pension for

it from the Veterans Administration. While in training, these veterans have their pensions increased to a minimum of \$92 a month and receive additional allowances if they are married and further allowances for other dependents.

Blanding Library Has Books To Aid GIs Plan Postwar

CAMP BLANDING, Fla.—Available to GIs here in one of the post's five libraries is a set of books giving complete job and career information on various fields of postwar work. Over 800 distinct types of jobs are covered in a new series of career research monographs.

Covering hundreds of fields of endeavor, each booklet tells about the jobs in the field, opportunities, earnings, educational requirements, attractive and unattractive sides, a typical day's work, how to get started, capital required if necessary, and suggested supplementary reading material.

The commercial air lines in U. S. are now seeking pilots who may not be essential for the Air Forces operations.

Under the GI Bill, any veteran who has had 90 days of war service, or less, if discharged for a disability, may undertake any course of study or training he selects for as long as one year.

If the education or training of the veteran was impeded, interrupted or interfered with by his entry into service, he may continue his education or training beyond the first year for as long a time as he was in service, but not to exceed a total of four years.

He may complete his arrangements at any approved school of his choice. The school will communicate all the facts to the Veterans Administration, and arrange for payments to be made.

Veterans undertaking training or education under this law are paid \$50 a month if without dependents and \$75 a month if they have dependents. The schools are paid up to \$500 a year for an ordinary school year.

New Social Security Bills Would Credit Army Service

WASHINGTON.—Social security credits for military service are embodied in bills in Congress by Senators Wagner, New York, and Murray, Montana, and Representative Dingell, Michigan, which would expand the health and social security programs of the country.

Men and women in the armed forces would receive a wage credit of \$160 a month for social security purposes for the entire period of their military service, the normal employer and employee contributions both being paid by the government.

The service credit proposal, already effective for railroad workers, is part of a general program of increasing benefits, providing prepaid health insurance, and bringing farm and domestic workers and the self-employed under social security.

The bills propose continued federal operation of the U. S. Employment Service.

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30-Year-Old Private Holds Own Graduation Exercises

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS, Italy. — Because he didn't expect to attend the graduation exercises of the Northeast High School in Philadelphia, Pa., this June, Pfc. Jay E. Perry recently held his own in Rome.

Private Perry, who is 30 years old, up to two months ago lacked two years' credit for the completion of his high school education. He enrolled in the Mediterranean

the 85th Division and served as a rifleman until he was wounded at Futa Pass, Italy. He was hospitalized and reassigned to clerical work with the Psychological Warfare Branch in Rome.

"I had to wait until I got out of the infantry to complete my high school education," he said. "There wasn't much time for studying in the foxholes. Now that I'm a clerk I hope to get some college credit through the Army correspondence courses."

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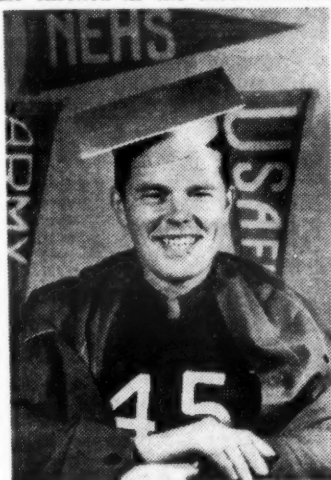
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GI Joe Collegiate

Theater branch of Armed Forces Institute and completed correspondence courses in two months "with distinction," according to his certificate. The Northeast High School will carry his name among the June graduates and Mrs. Perry plans to collect the diploma.

Meanwhile, Perry decided to hold his own exercises. He donned a cap and gown and had his photograph taken by a bewildered Italian cameraman at the enlisted men's Post Exchange in Rome. The gown he had painstakingly fixed over from his pup tent shelter half and the cap he constructed from a piece of GI plywood.

Private Perry formerly was in

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ODT May Get 'Nickel Series'

Nelson Registers 4-3 Win Over Sam Snead

WEST ORANGE, N. J.—Byron Nelson, top Texas golfer, turned the tables on Slammin' Sammy Snead of West Virginia here last Sunday to register a decisive 4-and-3 triumph in a 36-hole match play for the benefit of the Professional Golfers Association Rehabilitation Fund for wounded servicemen.

Snead won the opening half of the two-day meet, 143 to 144, at the Fresh Meadow Country Club in Flushing, L. I., on Saturday.

Crowds of 1500 followed the two top golfers on both the morning and afternoon rounds here despite heavy intermittent rains.

Nelson was master of the play throughout and proved much the steadier of the two. His superior putting clinched things.

The big Texan registered 32, 37-69 on the par-72 course in the morning, while the best Snead could do was 38, 36-74. Going out in the afternoon, though, Snead got a 35 to Nelson's 36.

On the six final holes, Nelson clung to par while Snead went one over on the 11th.

Nelson In Top Form

Nelson moved into the lead on the second hole and added to it on the third, stroking par on each occasion while Sammy went one over. On the 5th Nelson's eagle, climaxed by a 40-foot putt, just beat Snead's birdie 4.

A 12-footer gave a birdie 2 to the Texan on the sixth, and a 10-footer

earned him another birdie 2 on the 9th, a pair of accomplishments that put him 5 up.

On the 13th Nelson went 6 up, but he three-putted on the 16th and enabled Snead to take his first hole of the round. Sammy earned another when he outscored the Texan on the 18th, another instance where Nelson required three putts.

Snead threatened to even things up when they resumed play in the afternoon and took the first. Nelson won the second and they played 4s for the next two and on the 5th a four for Snead cut Nelson's advantage. Then Snead took the 8th and Nelson the 9th.

They halved the tenth, while Nelson took the 11th and thus was 4 up again. They contributed even figures to the 15th where the match ended. They played it out for the benefit of the crowd and Nelson's total for the final 18 was 71 and Snead's 70.



—AAF Training Command Photo

ARCHERY IS POPULAR SPORT for Wacs at Harlingen Field, Tex., and here Sgt. Regina Baczewski and Pfc. Florence Snider are at odds at the target as they claim a "bullseye." Smiling but non-committal about the matter are Cpl. Dorothy Bowers and Sgt. Claire Spinney. All are graduates of the Physical Instructors' School at San Antonio.

Kentucky Derby Promises To Be An 'Anyone-Can-Win' Race

WASHINGTON.—If the enforced racing ban did nothing else it tossed the question of who will win the Kentucky Derby into the \$64 category.

In normal years most of the 3-year-olds had either ruined their chances or had assured themselves of a starting stall in the run of the roses by either looking lousy or good on the winter tracks. But this year the slick, healthy, full of run youngsters are being hurriedly judged by the few races they have been able to enter since the green light was flashed.

As it stands now it is not impossible or improbable that some colt or filly may get the rose wreath in the first start as a 3-year-old.

The crop of 2-year-olds last sea-

son was one of the best seen around the tracks in many a year. Most of them took turns beating each other so often that only two, Pavot and Free for All, ended the season with perfect records. Already this season Free for All has been beaten and Pavot won't be ready until the Preakness.

Burning Dream

When Free for All failed to show the staying qualities needed by a Derby winner and finished fourth in the Derby Trial after setting the pace John March's hopes hit a new low. But in the same race Col. Edward R. Bradley's dream of winning his fourth Derby were raised when appropriately named Burning Dream scored in a stretch drive after being far off the pace.

Around New York the favorites are the two jeeps, War Jeep and just plain Jeep. War Jeep won his following by taking down first money in the Jamaica Handicap. He romped away so easily that Jockey Johnny Adams was able to take his foot off the accelerator a quarter of mile from home and then step on the gas to stave off Frere Jacques' determined effort in the stretch.

A few of the wisecracks figure that the tote board at Churchill Downs will show Alexis to be the favorite when the bugle tootles. Alexis beat Brookfield and Bobonet in a sprint at Pimlico two weeks ago and then came back to drub them again over a mile-and-a-sixteenth route. Alexis showed the staying qualities and stretch drive that Derby fans look for.

But in any Derby session the con-

versation always gets around to Plebiscite, Flood Town, Best Effort, Pot O'Luck and that \$66,000 beauty Pericles, who is so perfect that he looks like he should be under glass, where he might end as to date he has never appeared on a track.

Still In Hunch State

It's still in the guess-and-bet-damned state although the Derby is only a week away—and as the bookies point out it's a 20-to-1 bet that an eligible won't enter the starting gate much less visit the winner's circle.

Two of racedom's veterans took the spotlight from the 3-year-olds for a short time last week. Devil Diver carried 132 pounds to a two-length win over Apache in a six-furlong race. Old Double D demonstrated in very capable manner that the lay-off hadn't hurt him in the least. It's going to be difficult to find a horse that can beat the handicap champion consistently—and that includes Twilight Tear, who has yet to make her first start.

Jockey Eddie Arcaro shared the Diver's spotlight by riding him to the win as well as three others for a neat four straight performance.

How They Stand

Tuesday, May 29

AMERICAN LEAGUE				
	W.	L.	Pct.	GB.
New York	20	11	.645	
Detroit	17	11	.607	1 1/2
Chicago	16	13	.552	3
St. Louis	15	13	.536	3 1/2
Cleveland	13	14	.481	5
Boston	13	18	.419	7
Washington	13	18	.419	7
Philadelphia	11	20	.355	9

NATIONAL LEAGUE				
	W.	L.	Pct.	GB.
New York	21	9	.735	
Pittsburgh	17	14	.548	6 1/2
Chicago	17	14	.548	6 1/2
Brooklyn	17	15	.525	6 1/2
St. Louis	17	16	.515	7 1/2
Boston	12	18	.400	11
Cincinnati	12	18	.400	11
Philadelphia	10	24	.294	15

INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE				
	W.	L.	Pct.	GB.
Montreal	21	11	.656	
Jers. City	14	9	.609	
Newark	13	13	.500	
Baltimore	12	13	.480	

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION				
	W.	L.	Pct.	GB.
Milwaukee	17	9	.654	
Louisville	16	12	.571	
Indianapolis	16	13	.552	
Toledo	14	15	.483	

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE				
	W.	L.	Pct.	GB.
Portland	34	21	.618	
Seattle	33	21	.611	
Oakland	31	26	.544	
San Diego	28	30	.483	

SOUTHERN ASSOCIATION				
	W.	L.	Pct.	GB.
N. Orleans	24	31	.438	
Chattanooga	20	8	.714	
Atlanta	19	10	.655	
Mobile	19	13	.594	

EASTERN LEAGUE				
	W.	L.	Pct.	GB.
Williamsport	10	7	.588	
Scranton	10	8	.556	
Albany	9	8	.529	
Wkes-B're	10	10	.500	

Fort Bragg Wins Athletic Trophy

FORT BRAGG, N. C.—The Army Service Forces Athletic Participation Trophy has been awarded to Fort Bragg for the second time, a letter from Maj. Gen. Frederick E. Uhl, Commanding General, Fourth Service Command, to Brig. Gen. John T. Kennedy, Post Commander, reveals.

The trophy, a challenge award, was won by Fort Bragg for the summer quarter of 1944, the first time it was presented. This latest award was for the quarter ending March 31, 1945.

Dethrone Champions, Get Victory Medals

ANTILLES DEPARTMENT.—Volleyball players of the Camp Tortuguero A. team are the happy possessors of Antilles Department athletic victory medals symbolic of the title they wrested from Camp O'Reilly, defending champions, in the three-day department tournament at the San Juan YMCA.

With their victory also went a plaque and the privilege of having the team's name inscribed on a silver trophy.

He's Been Around

FORT WORTH FIELD, Tex.—Capt. Jacques L. Grenier, crack New Hampshire U. athlete, just named PT director here, has been around since he was called to Army service in December, 1941—Los Angeles and Kansas City, Mo., AAF personnel training areas, Deming Field, N. M., South Pines, N. C., TTC Command and Hobbs Field, N. M.

Candini Keeps Busy

CAMP ROBERTS, Calif.—Pvt. Milo Candini, former Washington Nat. now in C-89, is being kept busy by the Rangers ball team. Detailed recently to dig holes for backstop poles on the baseball diamond, he was called in by Sgt. Bobby Doerr, Boston Red Sox, for five innings of duty at the initial sack and then two innings of work on the mound in relief.

Eagles Down Sailors With Steady Hurling

EGLIN FIELD, Fla.—Pitching continued to be the forte of the Eglin Field Eagles as the Birds knocked off the Navy's Whiting Field, 6-2. Eglin has dominated Navy opposition to date, winning all six games against sailor clubs and bringing their season's record to eight wins and one loss.

Leagues Start Play

FORT RICHARDSON, Alaska.—Play got under way Monday in both softball and baseball, with 40 teams entered in two Air Corps and two Ground Forces leagues of six teams each, and a 16-team Post League. Baseball loop has 16 clubs.

Free Baseball Books Offered Servicemen By Louisville Co.

LOUISVILLE, Ky.—The Hillerich and Bradsby Co., makers of the famous Louisville Slugger bats, are offering to the men in the service through ARMY TIMES free copies of the Famous Slugger Year Book, Official Softball Rules, and Official Baseball Rules.

The Famous Slugger Year Book, long a favorite with baseball fans, features such articles as "Thoughts on Batting," by Tris Speaker; "My Bats," by Babe Ruth; and "Tips on Batting," by Lou Boudreau. Ty Cobb, Nap Lajoie, Bill Nicholson, Dixie Walker, Eddie Collins, George Starnweiss, George McQuinn, Bobby Doerr and Roger Cramer.

The front and back covers are sketched with batting action shots

of famous batters, both present and past, and the book is profusely illustrated and contains many of baseball's batting records.

The 1945 Official Softball Rule Book contains in addition to the rules of the game an account of the 1944 softball championship game and a picture story of the history and making of Louisville Slugger bats.

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Giants-Yanks Setting Pace That May Win

WASHINGTON.—New York's Giants and Yankees are taking the intimation of the Office of Defense Transportation that this year's World Series must be a one-city affair seriously, and their first-quarter pace might well lead to a subway nickel-ride between the Polo Grounds and Ruppert Stadium for the classic.

It's been seven years since the big town folks have had a Giant-Yankee siesta for baseball's highest honor and three years since they witnessed the Yankee-Dodgers scraps, and while other towns may be content with a WS dish at long intervals, Gotham fans must have their feast most regularly.

In the National, the Giants are overdue, having experienced seven lean years after winning pennants in 1936-37. In the American, the Yankees, after winning the gonfalon in '41, '42 and '43, finished third last season, and may well feel one season away from the throne is plenty.

Giants Set Dizzy Pace

The terrific manner in which Mel Ott's Giants have started is a repetition of the way in which John McGraw's teams used to get away from the barrier. It is the fastest getaway since 1907, when the Giants won 25 of their first 30 games.

With the season a month old, it's a bit early to forecast finals which won't come until late September, but the Giants enjoy a comfortable lead, they seemingly are enjoying the road, hitters continue hot and the pitching staff is steady. As for the Yankees, they've recovered nicely from the pummeling in St. Louis and, on paper, the team as a whole is the best in the loop.

Ferriss Is Sensational

Dave (Boo) Ferriss, Air Corps dischargee, is continuing his highly sensational pitching for the Boston Sox. Having hung up a new record for consecutive scoreless innings for rookies, 22 in three games, he pitched a one-hitter Sunday against the Chisox for his sixth straight win in which he has allowed but three runs. . . . Trying for his ninth win, Bill Voiselle, Giants, was knocked out of the box Sunday by the Pirates.

Washington Nats were given an ovation when they scored their first run in 27 innings. . . . Yanks won the first game from the Browns the hard way. Trailing 8-2 in the seventh, they rang up three runs in that frame and tied the score in the ninth with three more, and then came from behind in the 14th with two runs for victory. Yanks also copped the second, breaking the spell of nine straight defeats by the Sewellmen, of which five were last year. . . . Mort Cooper won his first game in his Braves uniform.

While "The Barretts of Wimpole Street" is a big theatrical attraction, "The Barretts of Baseball Alley" was the real show on a recent night. . . . Red Barrett, acquired by the Cards from the Braves in the trade for Mort Cooper, won his pitching debut in his new uniform; Kewpie Barrett was winner in his mound job for the Phillies against the Chicubs, and Johnny Barrett's homer in the 11th won for the Pirates over the Braves. . . . Detroit Tigers were dealt a severe jolt when Al Benton, rejuvenated by military service and winner of five in six, suffered a busted leg from a line drive by Bobby Estellella, of the Athletics.

Plan Weekly Bouts

GODMAN FIELD, Ky.—Plans are being drawn up for weekly boxing bouts, squadrons to compete against one another, with trophies and other awards being made.

Legal Re-Employment Ruling Asked By VFW

WASHINGTON. — An unquestioned legal interpretation of re-employment rights of discharged servicemen, as provided in Section 8 of the Selective Training and Service Act of 1940, was asked this week by the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

This action is taken, according to Omar B. Ketchum, V. F. W. national legislative representative, because of "the apparent lack of confidence of the Department of Justice in the interpretation of re-employment rights by the Agency administering the Selective Training and Service Act."

Ketchum cited recent instructions issued by Attorney General Biddle to all U. S. attorneys advising them that the Selective Service System's interpretation of the returning veteran's right to job seniority is "not free from doubt." Biddle's instructions, Ketchum pointed out, also require the prosecuting attorneys to represent both claimant and defendant. Ketchum's statement is as follows:

"Circular No. 3851, Supplement

No. 3, issued under date of May 10, 1945, to all United States attorneys by U. S. Attorney General Francis Biddle with reference to re-employment cases under Section 8 of the Selective Training and Service Act of 1940, is a most unusual document.

"The only interpretation which can be given by the Veterans of Foreign Wars to Mr. Biddle's instruction is that Mr. Biddle is not only uncertain as to the application of Section 8 of the Selective Training and Service Act, but is apparently prejudiced against the interpretation of the law rendered by the administrative agency—the Selective Service System. Mr. Biddle injects the term "superseniority" in his instructions and recommends as unusual procedure in directing the attorneys to present both sides of each case, rather than the normal procedure whereby U. S. attorneys vigorously prosecute where Federal laws are violated. In effect, Mr. Biddle is saying that he seriously doubts whether returning veterans of World War II have any such re-employment rights as interpreted by the Selective Service System and, therefore, U. S. attorneys should be careful not to present a one-sided case.

"The very fact that Mr. Biddle throws out the suggestion that veterans who are satisfied with the type of representation which U. S. attorneys are obligated to give under his instructions, should avail themselves of the services of private counsel, indicates the Justice Department is not optimistic they will be able to win many cases.

"It appears to the Veterans of Foreign Wars that if the Justice Department is so uncertain as to what Section 8 of the Selective Training and Service Act of 1940 really means and have no confidence in the interpretation made by the administrative agency, then by all means an unquestioned legal interpretation should be developed, or if that is not possible, the Congress should be asked to clarify the language of the existing act so there could be no misunderstanding."

Buddy Lewis Now Playing At Third With Stout Field

STOUT FIELD, Ind. — John K. (Buddy) Lewis, Jr., former third baseman and outfielder for the Washington Senators, is now playing third base for "the Fielders," diamond team at Stout Field, Indianapolis, Ind., headquarters of the I Troop Carrier Command.

Captain Lewis is a veteran of 15 months service as a Troop Carrier C-47 pilot in the China-Burma-India Theater of Operations. In the C-B-I area, Lewis flew 369 missions, totalling 611 operational hours and crossed the famous "Hump" almost 70 times. He has been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Air Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster and the Distinguished Unit Citation.

A consistent .300 hitter, he was chosen a member of the American League All-Star team in 1938 and led the league in triples with 16 in 1939, the season he had his best batting average, .319.

Have Sunday League

FORT BLISS, Tex.—An eight-team baseball league, covering El Paso, Fort Bliss and Yaleta, has been organized to play Sunday afternoons on four diamonds in the El Paso area, play starting tomorrow.

Calls Out Gridders

MARFA FIELD, Tex.—Lt. Howard Marine has sent out the call to all football aspirants to submit their names as there's to be midsummer training for the fall contests.

Open Play Next Week

COCHRAN FIELD, Ga.—Lt. Bill Harmon, PT athletic director, is still accepting entries for the officer and personnel softball leagues which open play next week.



—100th Signal Company Photo

CENTURY DIVISION'S Signal Company is doing a bit of unplanned educational work in South Germany's Geislingen, engaging in some good old Yank baseball as two small German boys watch in wonderment.

25 Months Over, 7 Battles, 1 Wound; Still a Private; Congressman Asks Why

WASHINGTON. — Rep. Ramey, R., Ohio, late last week added his pleas to those earlier voiced by Rep. Rankin, D., Miss., that men who have been through months of combat should at least be promoted to private first class.

Mr. Ramey cited the case of a college graduate assigned to the 1st Division who, after 25 months overseas during which he partici-

pated in the Tunisia, Sicily, Normandy, Aachen, Ardennes, Rhine and Czechoslovakia operations and was once wounded in action, is still a private.

"There are thousands more like him," declared Mr. Ramey.

"How nice it would be," the Ohioan told the House, "if the officers would graciously consent to promote all privates who were in

combat service in the European or African theaters, or both, to privates first class.

"This would only mean an increase in pay of perhaps \$4 per month, but it would mean one stripe on the arms of these boys and would do more to maintain morale in combat divisions than any one think I could think of."



—Signal Corps Photo

THE BIG ONE won't get away if fishermen adopt the technique of Pfc. Jesse L. McKenzie and Sgt. Mike Volchko, of the 84th Division. Fishing in the Elbe River they demonstrate a double play—hook 'em or shoot 'em!

Athletics Included In Prep Of Troops Going To Pacific

WASHINGTON. — Ground force troops returning from Europe and who are Pacific bound will be required to include athletics in their reconditioning program, the Army announces.

As a part of their regular military training schedule, all soldiers will have to participate in swimming and boxing and in one team sport, with competitive sports participation being a leisure-hour matter.

In the sports reconditioning program, directed by Col. Kenneth Buchanan, of the AGF Training Section, there will be intercamp competition in various activities, with some leagues set up, but stress will

be laid on swimming instruction, to include combat swimming and "water security," such as swimming with the clothes on, carrying equipment above water, splashing through water covered with burning oil and rescue work.

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Descendant Of Lewis Stationed At Fort Named After Ancestor

FORT LEWIS, Wash.—One hundred and thirty years after the historic Lewis and Clarke Expedition reached the mouth of the Columbia River, a direct descendant of Capt.

Meriweather Lewis, leader of the party, finds himself stationed at the fort named in honor of his illustrious ancestor.

The soldier is T/4 Richard S. Lewis, of Staunton, Va., whose lineage is traced to John Lewis, first settler of Augusta County, Va., and the father of the great explorer.

"I feel like I have a personal interest here," Lewis, a medical soldier stationed at this Army Service Forces training center, explained. "But it seems that I have hiked over a lot of territory that my forebearer overlooked."

Cochran Beats Hoppe For 3-Cushion Title

SAN FRANCISCO.—In the 90-block cross-country challenge tournament for the world three-cushion billiards championship, Welker Cochran, of San Francisco, successfully defended his laurels, defeating Willie Hoppe by a margin of 48 points—4819 to 4771.

Boxers In Bond Show

FORT WARREN, Wyo.—Because of its rep for turning out tough fisticuffs, Fort Warren has been invited to enter a team in a monster 7th War Loan boxing show being planned in Denver by the Treasury Department.

Skaters Give Show

LAKE PLACID, N. Y.—A group of America's outstanding ice skating stars of the "Hats Off to Ice" and "Stars On Ice" shows entertained the overseas veterans at the AG & SF Redistribution Station last Sunday night.

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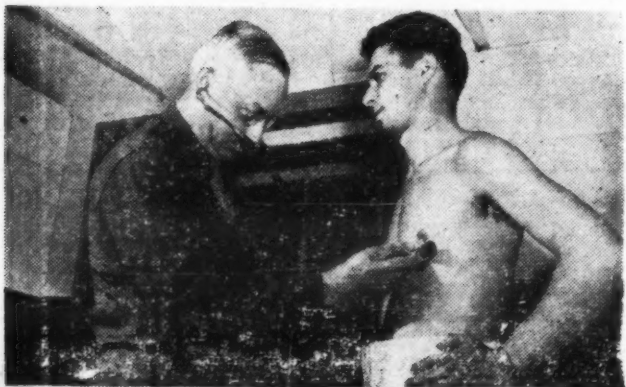
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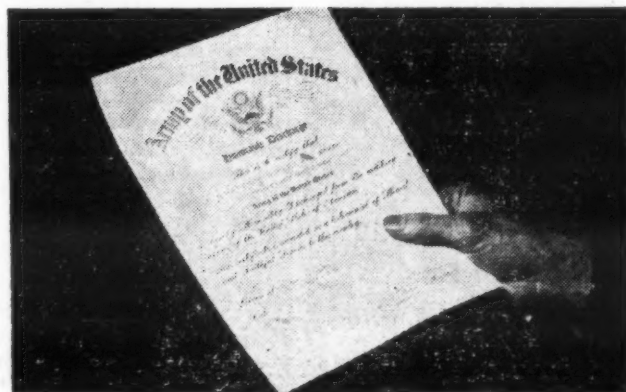
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The Physical Is Complete And Thorough



Thumbing the Discharge



The Paper All Are Waiting For

Sergeant Is Discharged At Fort Dix Center

In marked contrast to World War I the discharge system of this war is operating smoothly, objectively—and rapidly. Designed to make the transition from khakis to tweeds as simple, yet complete, as possible the discharge system is proving to be of great value to the veteran.

S/Sgt. Arthur Freund, pictured on this page, is experiencing the routine at Fort Dix, N. J., where the system was largely developed and perfected. The steps taken by the 25-year-old overseas veteran, who was discharged to care for his wife, Bertha, invalided in an automobile wreck, are the same as those taken already by thousands and that will be taken eventually by millions.

Sergeant Freund, totin' his barracks bag, arrived at Fort Dix one day. Forty-eight hours later he departed—a physically examined, oriented, paid-off, counseled, discharged Mr. Freund. In 13 steps, not counting eating, sleeping and swapping rumors, he made the transition from GI Joe to John Q. Citizen.

1. He arrived at the Fort and was directed to the discharge center;
2. His papers and records were checked. When okayed he was given a booklet titled "What Next?";
3. The first "What Next" was the turning in the contents of his barracks bag. The contents were checked and itemized. He was allowed to keep one complete uniform;
4. Initial instructions and information on his stay at Fort Dix were given him and those with him by Lt. Col. Thomas M. Childs, CO of the Fort Dix center;
5. Orientation Officer Capt. Robert Nelson gave a talk outlining many subjects of interest to the sergeant;
6. The most important stop was made in the counseling division. There Cpl. Carl H. Everby answered his question on the GI Bill of Rights, Army insurance, employment possibilities and personal questions. The Corporal prepared a Separation Qualification Card from the information Sergeant Freund gave him on his civilian and military careers;
7. He received a complete physical check-up and reported any illness or injury incurred in service, from which disability claims are made;
8. He put his Arthur Freund on his discharge and Separation Qualification Record;
9. His thumb print vouches for his signature;
10. An honorable discharge emblem is sewed on his blouse;
11. At the pay window he collected all pay due him, the first \$100 of his mustering-out pay, travel money and his discharge button;
12. Colonel Childs presented the sergeant with his discharge and explained his responsibilities in civilian life;
13. With discharge in his pocket he hopped the next train, leaned back in the seat a civilian.

—Signal Corps Photos

Pershing Moro Guide Loyal To U.S. Troops

WITH THE 41ST DIVISION AT JOLO, The Philippines.—The man who served as General Pershing's official guide and interpreter during our war with the Sulu Archi-



A MIGHTY LONG ticket would be needed by Wac Warrant Officer Jeanne Lutz if it were to cover the places she's visited in 16 months overseas. As secretary to two generals she visited 18 countries. At the AGSF Redistribution center at Miami Beach, Fla., she admits she no longer wants to roam.

pelago Moros in 1911 has again offered his help to U. S. troops.

He is Tulawie Arolas, 57, former provisional governor of Jolo, and himself a Moro. "But," his friends point out, "a modernized Moro."

Soon after the Yanks of the veteran 41st Division had broken Jap resistance on Jolo Island, Arolas met in conference with Maj. Gen. Jens A. Doe, Division Commander, and announced himself ready to help the Yanks in any way possible.

Because of his background it has been suggested that he be assigned to some administrative post in Jolo following cessation of hostilities. Ninety-odd per cent of Jolo's people are Moros, and he knows how to handle them.

After the campaign of 1911, during which he was wounded, Arolas was named by Governor General Leonard Wood as teacher of English in Moro schools. Later he was elected to the provincial board of Sulu, serving as acting governor on occasions. When the Philippines Commonwealth was established he was elected delegate to the Constitutional Assembly in Manila.

Arolas gave active help to guerrilla forces during the three years of Jap occupation of Jolo. Appreciating his influence among the Moros, the Nips tried to win him over. But it didn't work.

Says Arolas: "They couldn't coax me. I'm too much of an American."

WAR HERO'S VERY BUSY WEEK

LUCEDALE, Miss.—Here's the diary of Sgt. Jake Lindsey, nationally acclaimed war hero:

Sunday, May 20—Arrived from

The war in Europe wouldn't have been so bad if he could have kept his pants fitting him, says S/Sgt. Gordon M. Williamson, of Dover, N. H., who is now a returnee at Redistribution Station No. 1 at ATLANTIC CITY, N. J. "What they call dry cleaning over in Europe," he asserts, "is strictly all wet, so that uniforms usually shrink two sizes after their first visit to a cleaner's. So if a man was 34 by 29 he had to draw a 36 by 31 and hope."

The reason why T/Sgt. George Druce isn't missing any movies at FORT RILEY, Kan., came out the other day when he said: "Seems I'd better see all the shows I can now, because before long I'll be seeing shows in my own house." Mrs. D. is infanticiding.

When Sgt. Weston O. McDaniel of Huntington, W. Va., reported to the Public Relations office at LOWRY FIELD, Colo., recently, his first assignment was to write a story about one of the station's Wacs, a request he himself had originated when he was assigned to the liaison office of Wac recruiting in New York city.

Another busy soldier is Pvt. Ian Elliott, of the Budget and Fiscal section at BUCKINGHAM FIELD, Fla. To be in close touch with his work he asked for all post regulations, not just those for his office.

combat front in Germany.

Monday, May 21—At Capitol, received from President Truman 100th Medal of Honor awarded Infantrymen.

Tuesday, May 22—Greeted in Washington by his "best girl," Miss Beverly Hargreaves, whom he met on a "blind date" at Camp Devens.

Wednesday, May 23—Left Washington for his Lucedale home.

Thursday, May 24—Had first home-cooked meal in five years.

Friday, May 25—Governor of Mississippi, other dignitaries and his neighbors extended official welcome.

Saturday, May 26—Went to Mobile, Ala., and bought a diamond solitaire.

Sunday, May 27—Slipped away from Methodist Church service and wed his "blind date" sweetheart.

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Fatigues For Hall

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Thought of a way to scare 'em;
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Some flaw that is implanted
Deep in all enlisted men
Which sends them stalking patiently
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They find a spruce lieutenant
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This charming gal I knew;
I kissed her, then her husband came,
Now mine are jet black, too.

Medal Awarded Hero
WITH U. S. FORCES in France.
—For risking his life to save a fellow soldier who was drowning, Pfc. Leon S. Russel, of Pittsburgh, member of a Transportation Corps Port Company, has been awarded the Soldier's Medal.

Edwards Dischargees Given Expert Advice

CAMP EDWARDS, Mass.—Combat veterans who receive medical discharges from the Convalescent Hospital here will return to civilian life with a clear picture of the employment situation in their home locality.

All dischargees are being counseled by three civilian agencies which are almost completely staffed by veterans of World War II. Representatives are here from the Veterans Administration, United States Employment Service and U. S. Civil Service.

Option to make use of the agencies is left up to the individual soldier, a hospital official pointed out. The soldier is informed of the presence of the organizations and the advantages they are able to offer to returning veterans.

The Veterans Administration is staffed by three contact men and one contact office. It acts as an advisory on Veteran Administration Laws and acts as liaison be-

tween other civilian agencies and the Army. It also reviews all claims for pensions regarding correctness and completeness. These reviews are then sent to the Area Office in Boston for further adjudication.

The United States Employment Service representative reviews the complete employment situation in the dischargee's home town and sends him off with several recommendations as to the best sources of employment. The representative is Charles L. Buckley, New Bedford, who has more than seven years' service with the USES.

Herbert L. Gilkey, a former Technical Sergeant in the Air Corps who was discharged 10 weeks ago, is the Civil Service representative. The dischargees are acquainted with their particular qualifications for civil service jobs and the preference given to veterans is explained. Plans are under way to give Civil Service examinations three nights weekly, Gilkey said.

Sergeant Rich Man For A Day

WITH THE 84TH INFANTRY DIVISION, in Germany.—Rich man for a day!

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QUIZ ANSWERS

(See "Army Quiz," Page 8)

1. B.
2. Lt. Gen. Omar N. Bradley, Marshall Ivan Koneff.
3. C. Rome imposed a harsh peace on Carthage in 146 B. C., when the city was destroyed and its people were killed or sold into slavery.
4. False. The B-19, built before the B-29, had a wingspread of 212 feet, as compared with the B-29's 141 feet. But its tests were not satisfactory enough to warrant mass production.
5. Flags of White Russian and Ukrainian delegations are the same as that of the Soviet Union.
6. False. The Crimes Commission was established to gather evidence and facts to be used in the prosecution of war criminals. They will be prosecuted by another body.
7. Salesmen who are selling Seventh War Loan Bonds from door to door.
8. The hundredth.
9. Balete Pass on Luzon and Davao on Mindanao, in the Philippines; Venezia Giulia, the province occupied by Marshal Tito in Italy; Paoching, on the China coast; Yonabaru, on Okinawa.
10. B.

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Hungarian Treasure Found By Sergeant On Mountain Top

WITH 80TH DIVISION IN AUSTRIA.—High in the Austrian Alps, on a rocky, pine-covered crag, lies the picturesque and ancient mountain village of Spital am Pyhrn dominated by its venerable monastery and chapel.

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Guarded by 200 picked Hungarian Gendarmes, the pro-Nazi President of the Royal Bank of Hungary and some 500 financial experts, clerks, bookkeepers and other employees watched over some 4,000,000,000 Pengos (\$130,000,000 at the present rate of exchange), \$30,000,000 in gold (as estimated from 29,000 kilograms of gold bullion), complete sets of Hungarian Bank Note Company plates for the printing of all Hungarian paper currency, and other wealth representing in large measure the capital, interest and individual deposits of Hungary brought from Budapest in advance of the Russian capture of that city.

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WASHINGTON.—2nd Lt. Raymond Zussman, of Detroit, and Infantry tank platoon commander, who led a lightning thrust which resulted in the capture of Noroy le Bourg, France, last Sept. 12, the death of 18 German soldiers and the taking of 92 prisoners, all within one hour, has been awarded the Medal of Honor posthumously, the War Department announces.

Lieutenant Zussman was killed in action nine days after the action

which brought him the Nation's highest award.

Through Lieutenant Zussman's exploits, which one of his men termed "comparable to any World War movie thriller," his battalion was enabled to complete the capture of the French town speedily and with minimum losses.

Made Lone Missions

In recurring encounters, in which he either lonehandedly or led his unit in weeding out Germans from scores of houses, Lieutenant Zussman used up 600 rounds of tommy-gun ammunition. In much action, armed only with a carbine, he reconnoitered alone on foot far in advance of his remaining tank and the Infantry, returning only from time to time to designate targets, direct the action of the tank and turn over to the Infantry the Ger-



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TRENCH FOOT contracted while fighting with the 106th Infantry Division confines Pvt. Edward P. Martin, of Paterson, N. J., to a wheel chair at the Army General Hospital at Camp Carson, Colo., but he gets good workouts on a stationary bicycle in the reconditioning gym. Cpl. Edwin McMillan, reconditioning instructor, lifts him onto the bike, and Private Martin, who has lost many of the toes of his feet, pedals with the arch of his foot. Says Martin: "I am not going to let this hold me down and other fellows can do the same."

Attacks

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capturing the Wawa dam, the last of Manila's three sources of water supply. The 25th Division captured the strategic town of Santa Fe, north of Baleto Pass, and the 32nd Division took a section of the Villa Verde trail, flanking the route into the Cagayan Valley.

On Mindanao, Gen. Douglas MacArthur reported that "our forces continue to push the enemy further back into the hills." The 31st Division made deep penetrations east of Malaybalay and crossed the Pulangi River, driving on to Davao. In the captured Davao area units of the 24th Division are closing in on a Jap pocket between the city and the Davao River.

While the Army, the Marines and the Air Forces blasted the Jap defenders, the American fleet destroyed 115 Jap suicide planes which launched attacks on ships off Okinawa.

Japs' Line Severed

In China the Chinese forces have shown new life in the capture of Nanning, strategic Kwangsi town, and widening to 120 miles the breach between the Jap forces in China. Severing the supply route between the Jap forces in the north and those in Indo-China and Siam to the south, this will leave the large Jap forces in the south isolated by land. Their supply by sea is also virtually impossible.

In Hunan province the Chinese repulsed a Jap attempt to regain Tahwaping, west of Paoching, and are driving on in a threat to cut the Canton-Hankow railroad.

Point Credits Fought By Jarman

Special consideration for demobilization given to men who fought in the European theater, (D. Ala.), week.

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mitting discharge of men over 42, and last week authorizing release of men over 40.

In making announcement of release of men over 40, the War Department said:

"When the military situation permits, further reduction in the age limit will be made."

Official sanction for discharges in the 40-42 age group is Circular No. 151, approved May 23.

8th Air Force

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uled for immediate return to the United States include the 44th, 91st, 93rd, 351st, 369th, 381st, 382nd, 389th, 392nd, 398th, 401st, 445th, 446th, 448th, 453rd, 457th, 458th, 460th, 464th, 465th, 466th, 467th, 482nd, 484th and 491st.

The 449th and 450th groups arrived in the United States late in May.

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